

Radiazione di Alta Energia nell'Universo

Energia > 100 MeV (10^8 eV)

Energia (massima) = 10^{21} eV
(forse ancora maggiore)

Raggi Cosmici

Fotoni

Neutrini

Luce Visibile:

$$\lambda_{\max} = 2900/T \text{ } \mu\text{mK} \quad 1\text{eV} == 1.24 \text{ } \mu\text{m}$$

Rosso $\lambda = 6800 \text{ \AA}$ E = 1.82 eV T = 4264 K

Giallo $\lambda = 5850 \text{ \AA}$ E = 2.11 eV T = 4957 K

Verde $\lambda = 5550 \text{ \AA}$ E = 2.33 eV T = 5225 K

Blu $\lambda = 4350 \text{ \AA}$ E = 2.85 eV T = 6666 K

$$10^3 \text{ eV} \text{ KeV} \qquad \qquad 10^{15} \text{ eV} \text{ PeV}$$

$$10^6 \text{ eV} \text{ MeV} \qquad \qquad 10^{18} \text{ eV} \text{ EeV}$$

$$10^9 \text{ eV} \text{ GeV} \qquad \qquad 10^{21} \text{ eV} \text{ ZeV}$$

$$10^{12} \text{ eV} \text{ TeV}$$

Studio dei Processi piu' "Violenti" nell'Universo

La maggior Parte degli oggetti del Cosmo sono
in buona approssimazione in **EQUILIBRIO TERMICO**

Ex: Stelle emettono Radiazione di Corpo Nero
[Sole : $T_{\text{surface}} \approx 5780 \text{ Kelvin} \approx 2 \text{ eV}$]

Ex: Sorgenti a Raggi X
[$T \approx \text{KeV}$]

Ex: Proto-Neutron Star (Supernova Explosion)
[$T \approx \text{MeV}$]

Processi Dinamici **NON TERMICI**

SORGENTI:

SUPERNOVA REMNANTS

PULSARS

ACTIVE GALACTIC NUCLEI

GAMMA RAY BURSTS

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COSMIC RAYS

Discovery

Structure of the Energy Spectrum

Magnetic Confinement in the Galaxy

Geomagnetic Effects

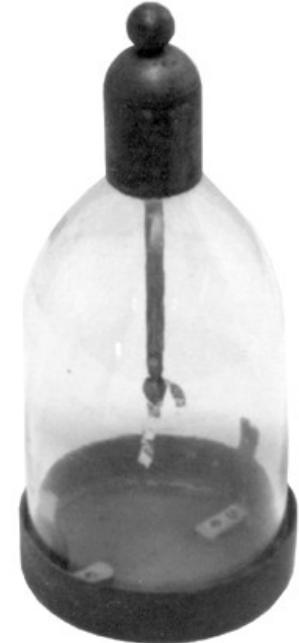
Solar Modulation

Discovery of Cosmic Rays

1st Observations at the beginning of 1900

Discharge of electroscopes →

Existence of IONIZING RADIATION



1912 Victor Hess (and others) establish with measurements with Ionization Chambers on balloons that the radiation is coming from outside the Earth.
Ionization initially decreases with altitude, then increases.

1912 Domenico Pacini establish with measurements with ionization chambers under water that the radiation is coming from above. Ionization decreases with increasing depth.



Victor Hess

before the balloon flight of 1912

V. Hess, Ueber Beobachtung der durchdringenden Strahlung bei Sieben Freiballonfahrten, Phys. Zeitsch. 13, (1912) 1084 (Nobel prize 1936).

Also A. Goekel, Messung der durchdringenden Strahlung bei Ballonfahrten, Phys. Zeitsch. (1911) 595

Discovery of Cosmic Rays
Beginning of
High Energy Astrophysics

A black and white portrait of Domenico Pacini, a man with glasses and a suit, looking slightly to the left.

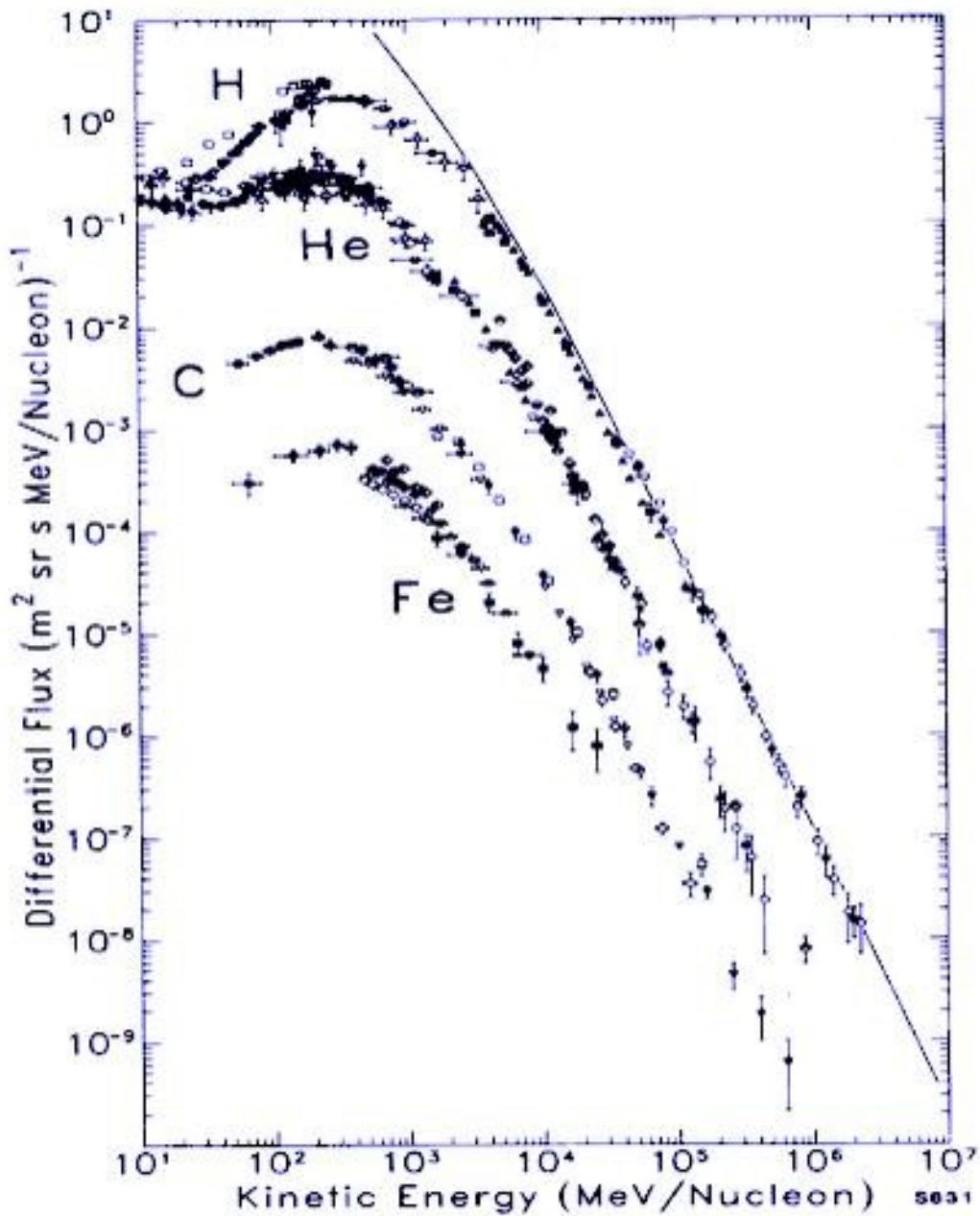
Domenico Pacini

1912

Ionization decreases 3m
under water compared to
surface

D. Pacini, La radiazione
penetrante alla superficie ed
in seno alle acque,
Nuovo Cimento VI/3 (1912) 93

First underwater experiment



Power-Law
Energy Spectrum
spectra

$$\phi(E) \simeq K E^{-\alpha}$$

$$\alpha \simeq 2.7$$

Figure 2. The differential energy spectra of the primary cosmic ray H, He, C, and Fe at Earth. [Reproduced with permission from J. A. Simpson (1983). Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 33 by Annual Reviews, Inc.].

FLUSSO di particelle

Numero di Particelle per
[Unita' di Superficie
Unita' di tempo
Unita' di Angolo Solido
Unita' di Energia]

Dimensioni :

[Superficie Tempo Angolo-solido Energia]⁻¹

Unita' di Misura :

[$\text{cm}^2 \text{ s sr GeV}$]⁻¹

Flussi riportati come:

- 1) Particelle per GeV per nucleone
- 2) Particelle per unita' di Rigidità
- 3) Nucleoni per GeV per nucleone
- 4) Particelle per GeV

$$\text{Rigidity} = p/Ze$$

Per uno spettro $\phi(E) \simeq K E^{-\alpha}$

$\alpha = 1 + \gamma$ (γ indice dello spettro integrale)

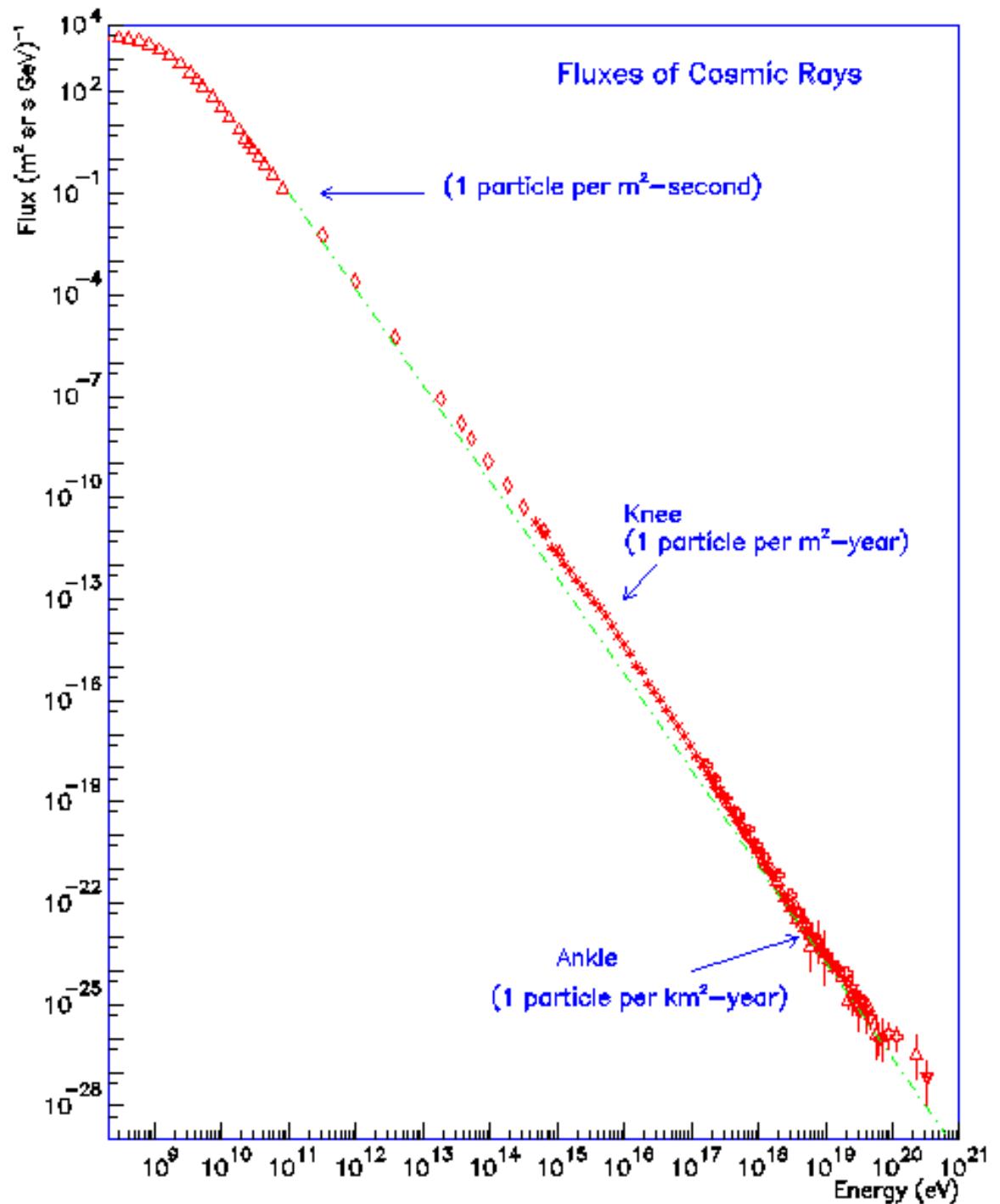
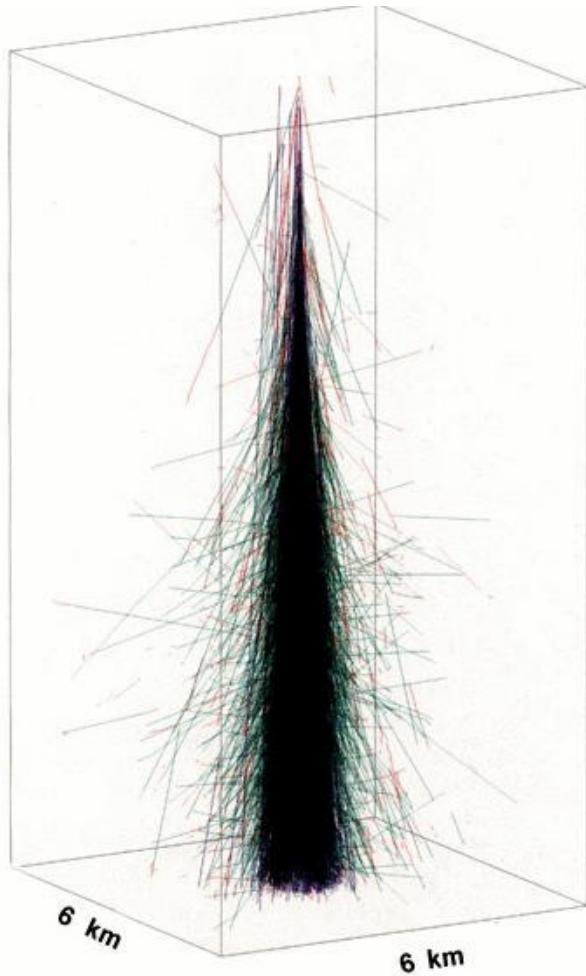
La frazione per

- 1) F_A
- 2) $2^\gamma F_A$
- 3) AF_A
- 4) $A^\gamma F_A$

Table 1.1: Fraction of nuclei relative to protons.

| Mass group | $\langle A \rangle$ | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) |
|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | | Particles ($> E/A$) | Particles ($> R$) | Nucleons ($> E/A$) | Particles ($> E/\text{nucleus}$) |
| P | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| α | 4 | 0.036 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.38 |
| M ($Z = 6$ to 9) | 14 | 0.0025 | 0.0083 | 0.035 | 0.22 |
| H ($Z = 10$ to 20) | 24 | 0.0007 | 0.0023 | 0.017 | 0.15 |
| VH ($Z = 21$ to 30) | 56 | 0.0004 | 0.0013 | 0.022 | 0.40 |

$$10^{-2.7} = 1 / 501$$



$$E = 10^{19} \text{ eV}$$

FLUSSO integrale di particelle :

1 GeV 10000 /s/m²

1 TeV 1 /s/m²

10 PeV 3 /y/m²

10 EeV 1 /y/km²

100 EeV 1/100y/km²

Proton, Nuclei Spectra

$$\phi(E) \simeq K E^{-\alpha} \quad \alpha \simeq 2.7$$

KNEE (steepening of the Spectrum) $\alpha:$ $2.7 \rightarrow 3$

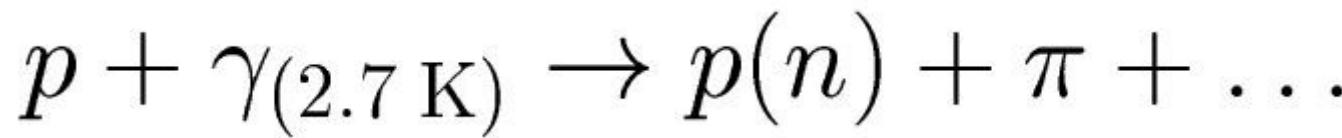
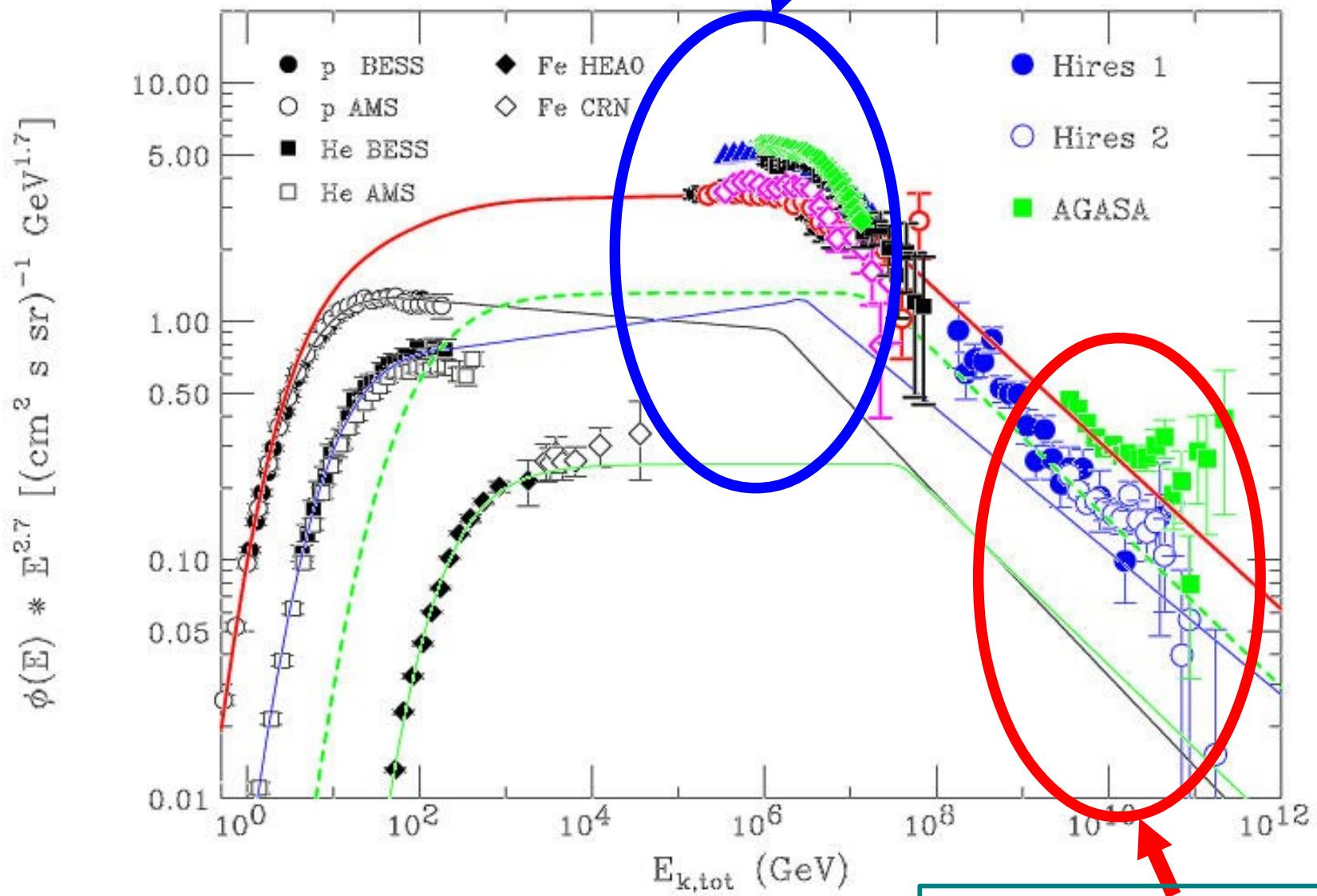
ANKLE (hardening of the spectrum) $\alpha:$ $3 \rightarrow 2-2.7$

$$E_{\text{Knee}} \simeq 3 \times 10^{15} \text{ eV}$$

$$E_{\text{Ankle}} \simeq 10^{19} \text{ eV}$$

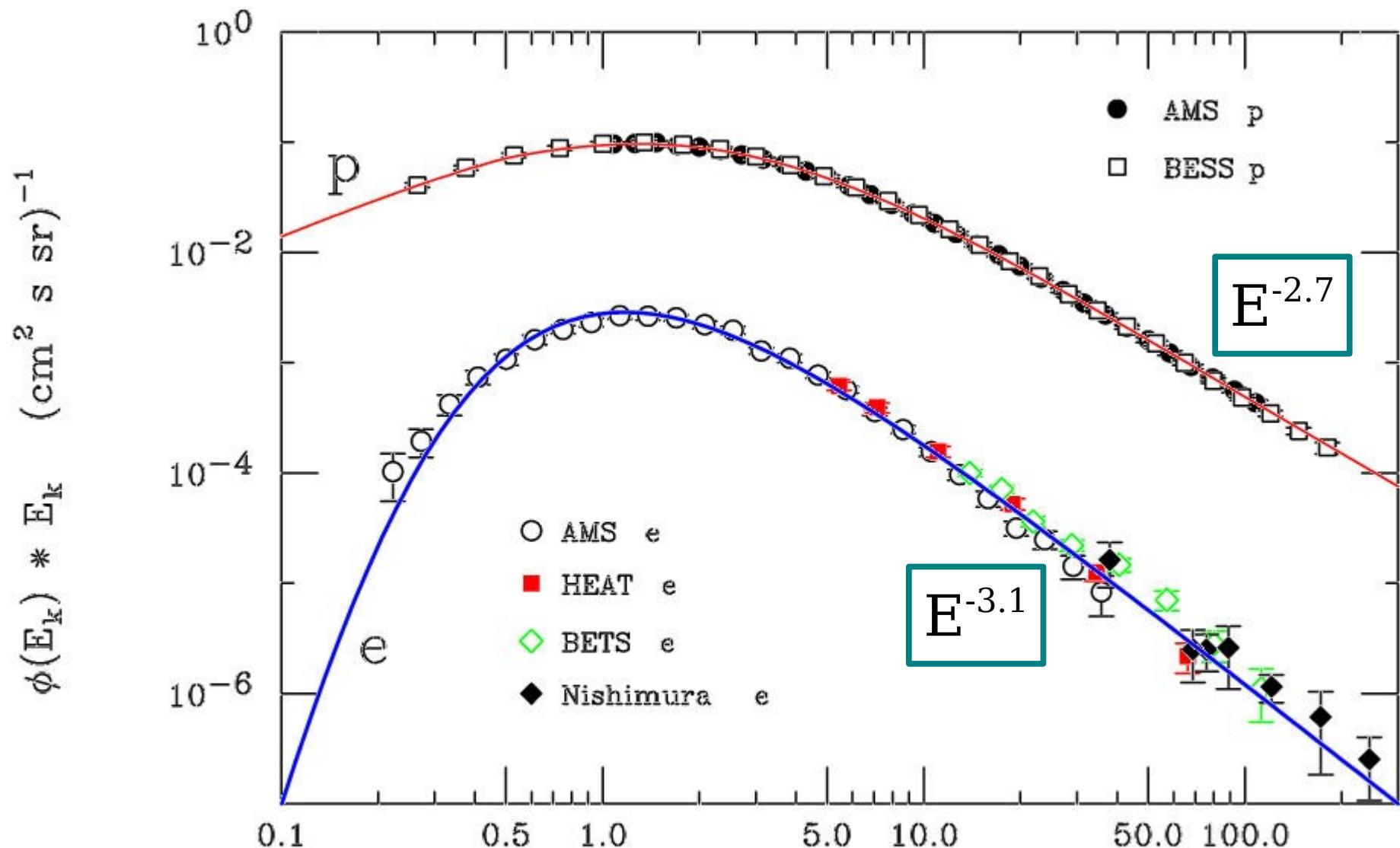
Spectrum
Multiplied by $E^{2.7}$

Knee Region



GZK Region

Proton and Electron spectra at the Earth



Electron Spectrum
is “steeper” (softer)

E_{kinetic} (GeV)

Understanding of the Nature of the Cosmic Rays took a long time.

Particles observed at the Surface of the Earth are SECONDARIES. Essentially all primary particles interact at high altitudes (stratosphere $h > 10$ Km) producing secondaries, that again interact ...

Photons

Electrons

Positrons

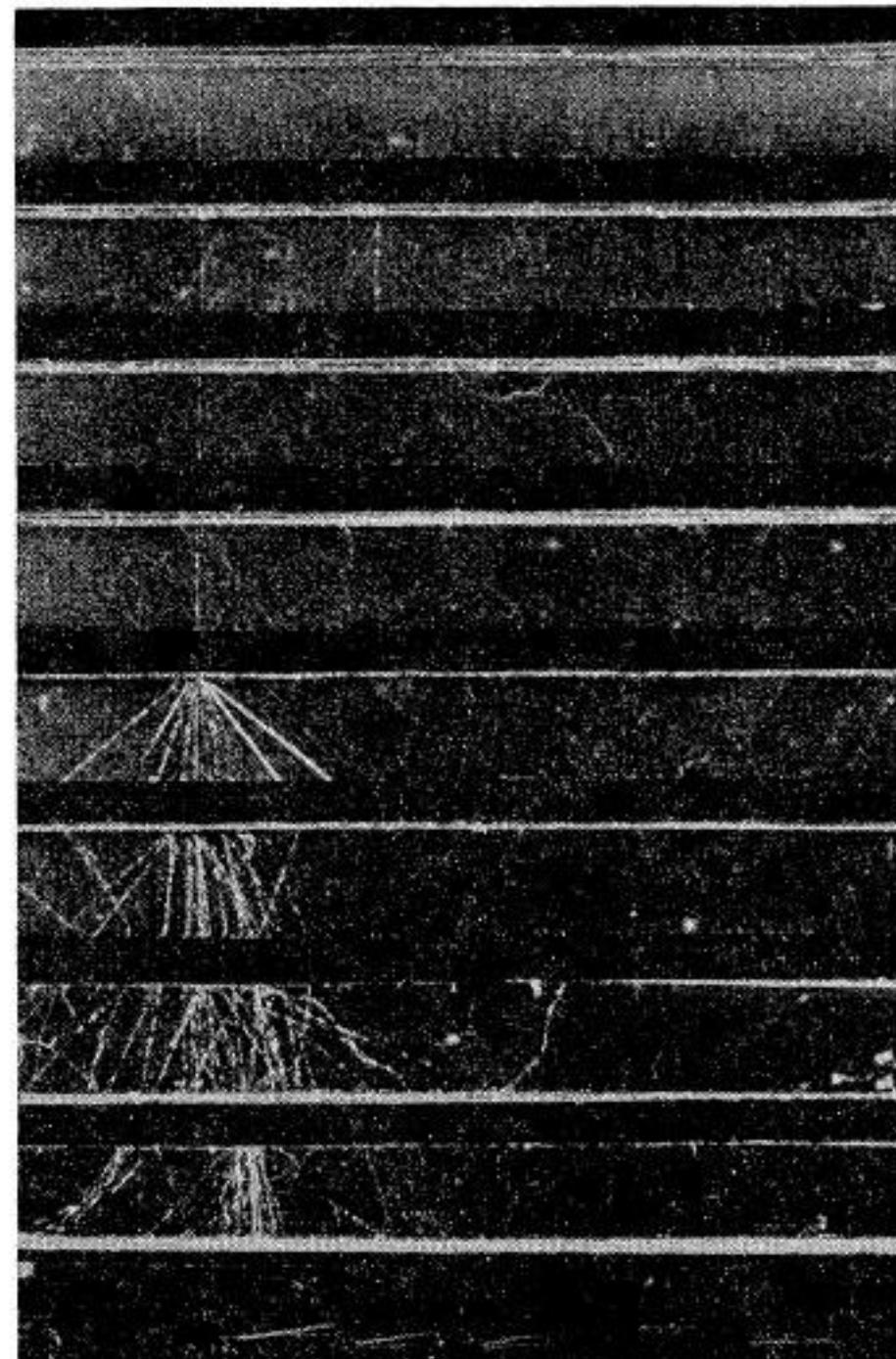
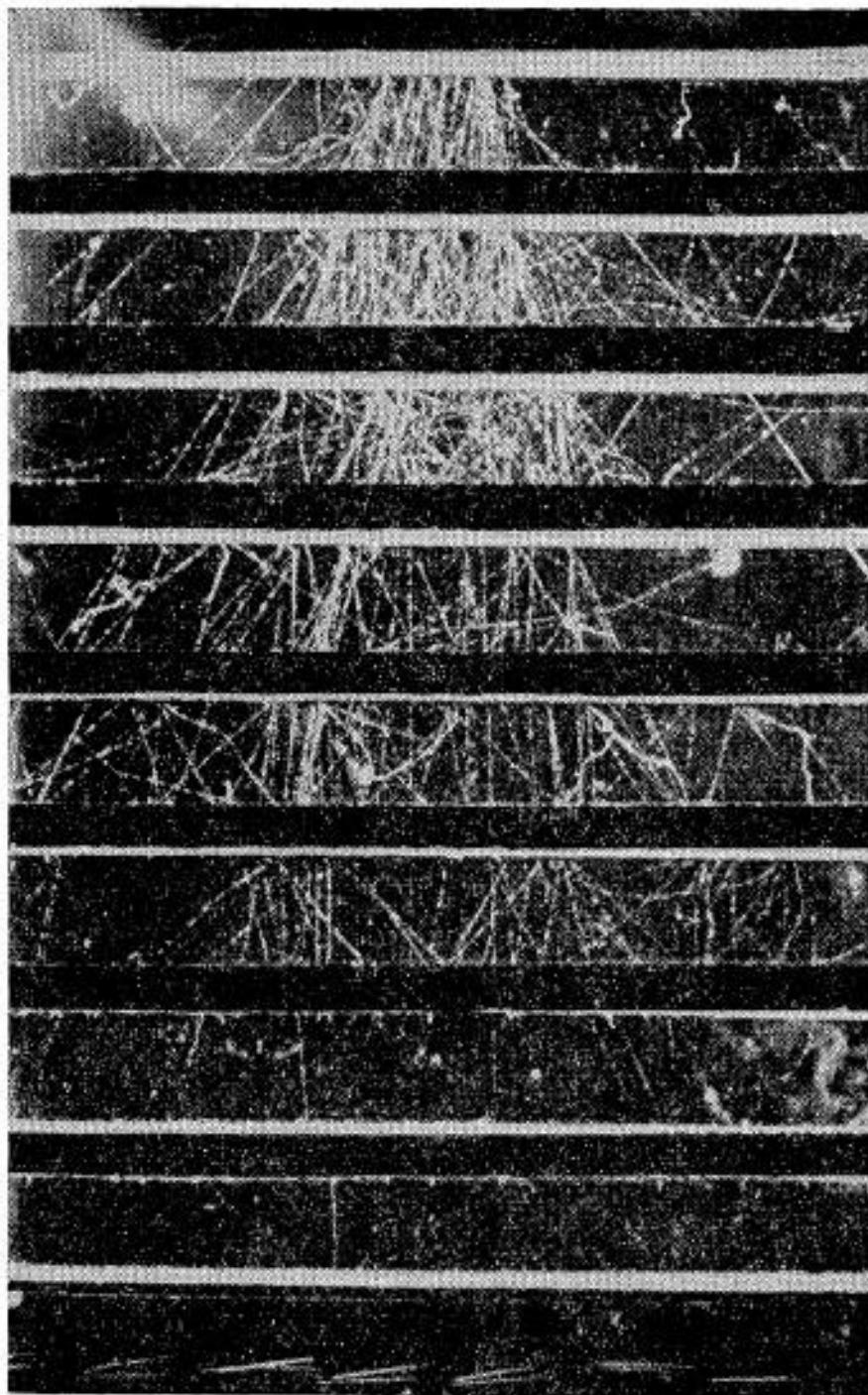
Muons

Hadrons:

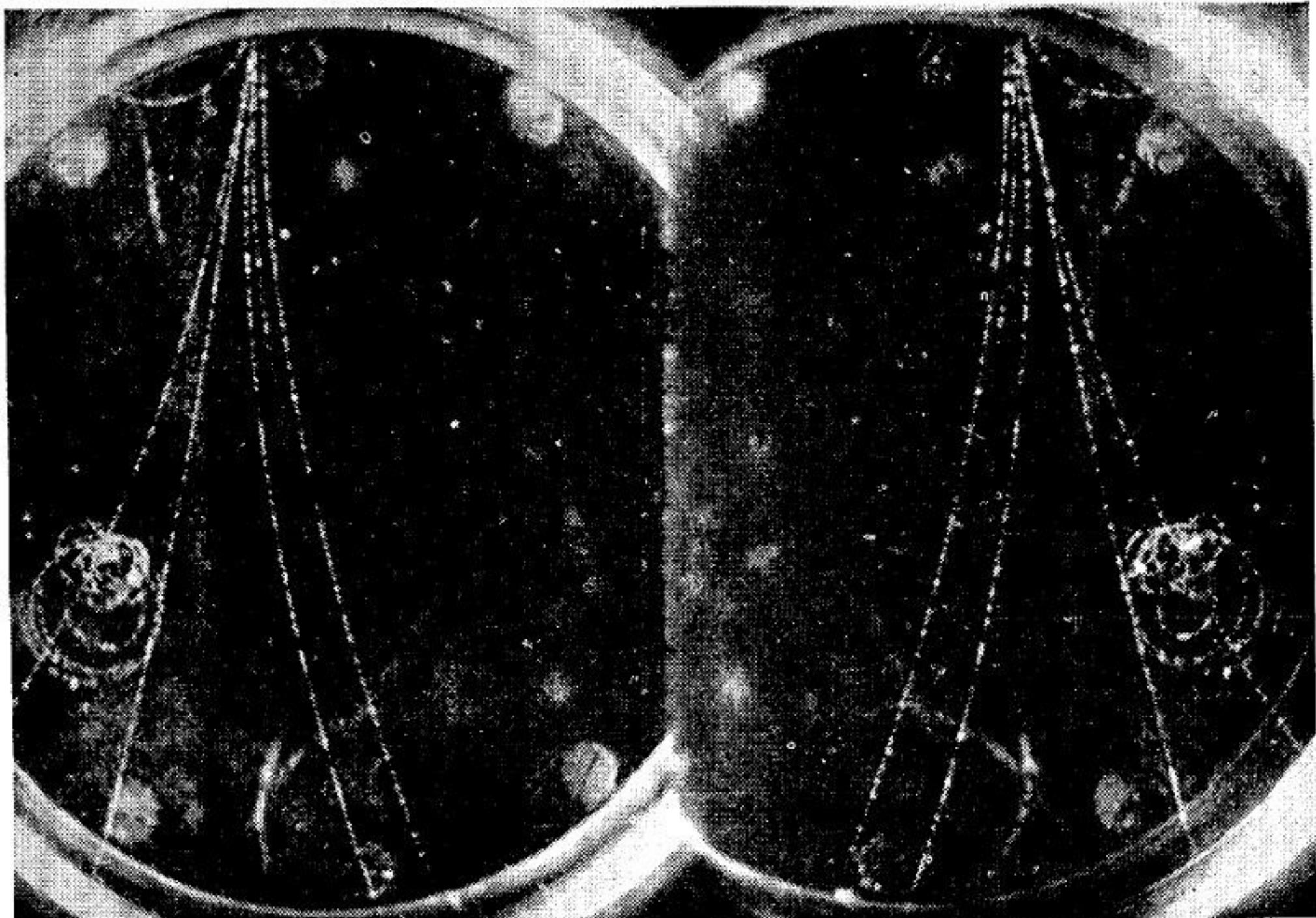
Protons

neutrons

Kaons



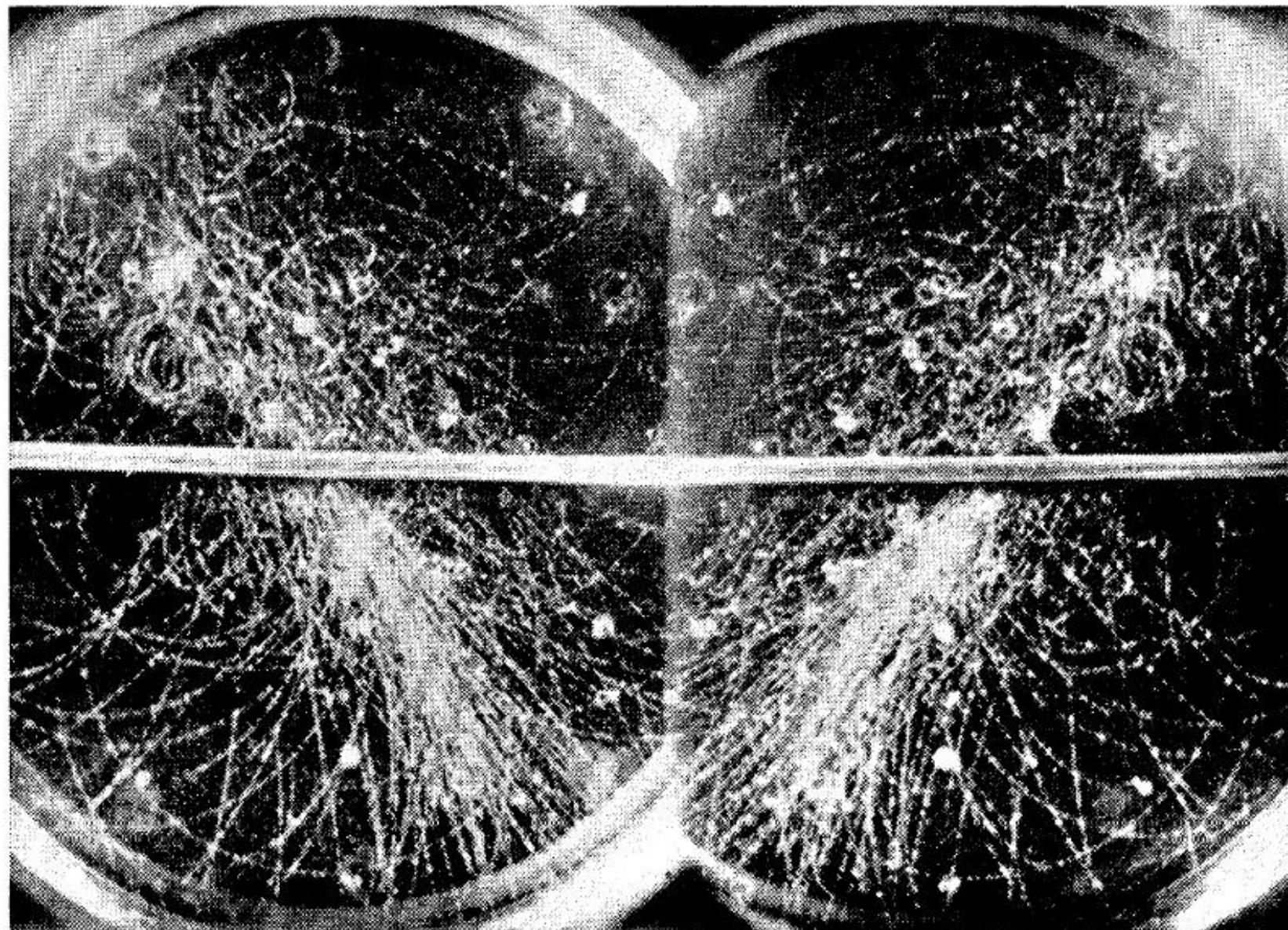
ELECTRONS and POSITRONS



Cloud Chamber Observations of Cosmic Rays at 4300 Meters Elevation and Near Sea-Level

CARL D. ANDERSON AND SETH H. NEDDERMEYER, *Norman Bridge Laboratory of Physics, California Institute of Technology*

(Received June 9, 1936)





JULY-OCTOBER, 1939

REVIEWS OF MODERN PHYSICS

Extensive Cosmic-Ray Showers

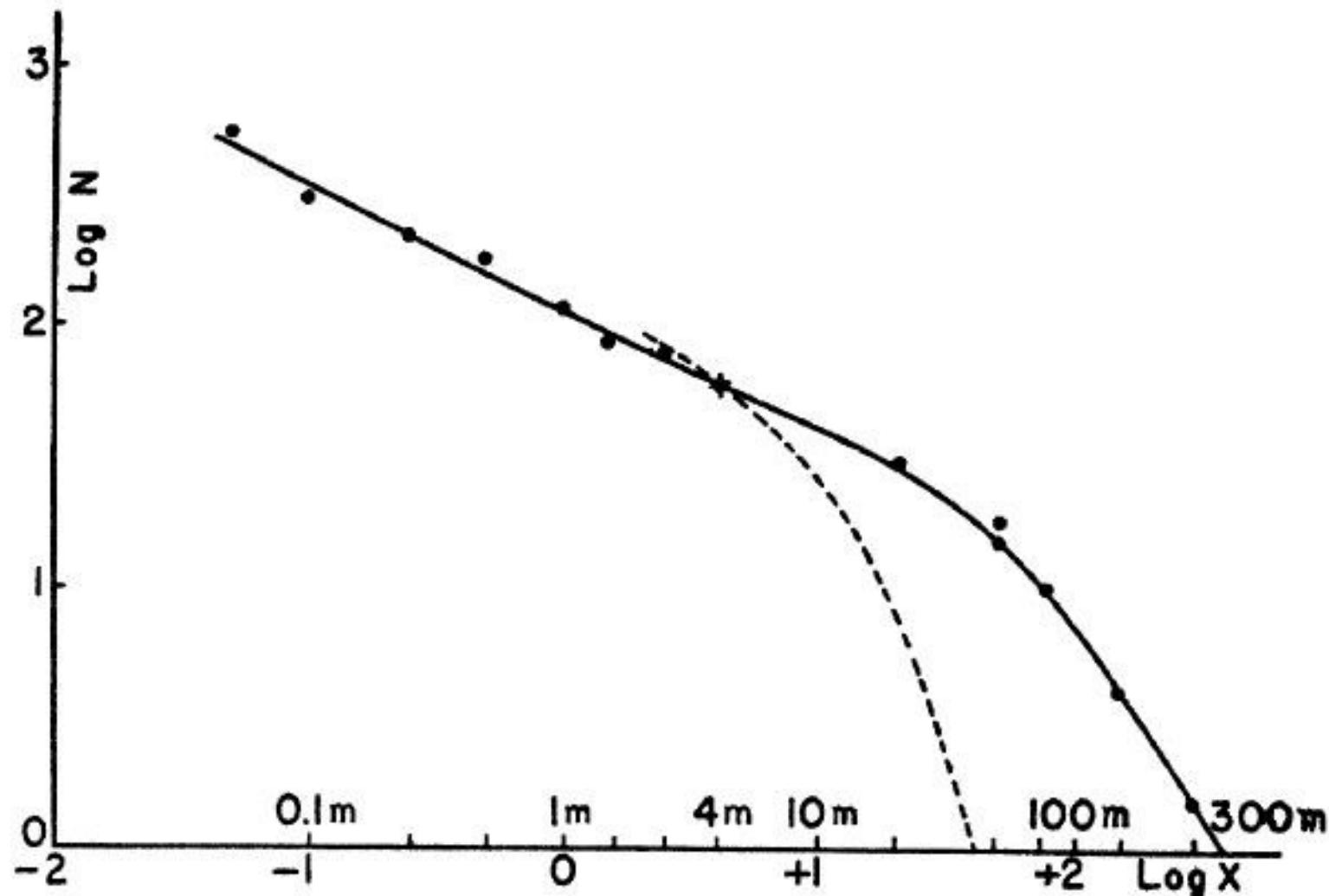
PIERRE AUGER

In collaboration with

P. EHRENFEST, R. MAZE, J. DAUDIN, ROBLEY, A. FRÉON
Paris, France

Pierre Auger

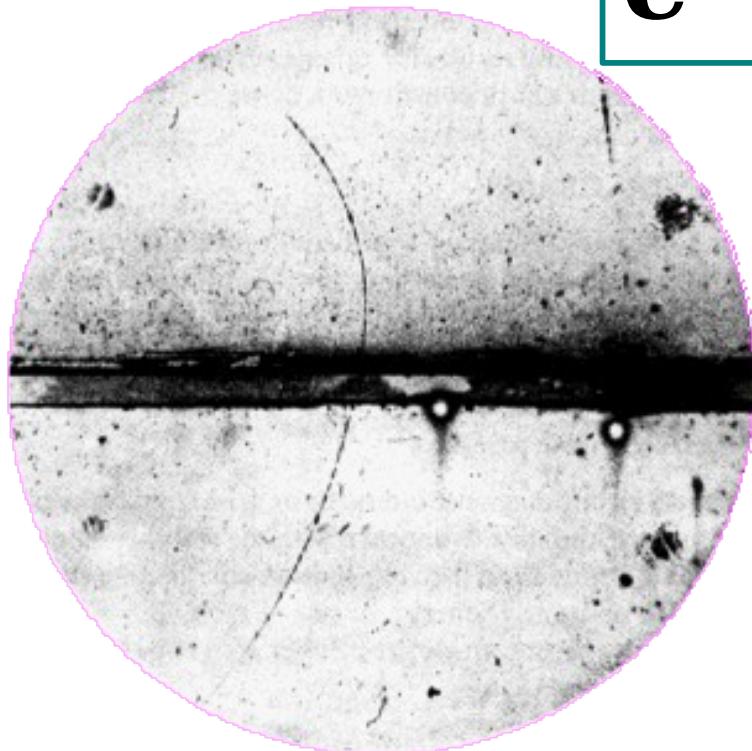
Extensive
Air
Showers



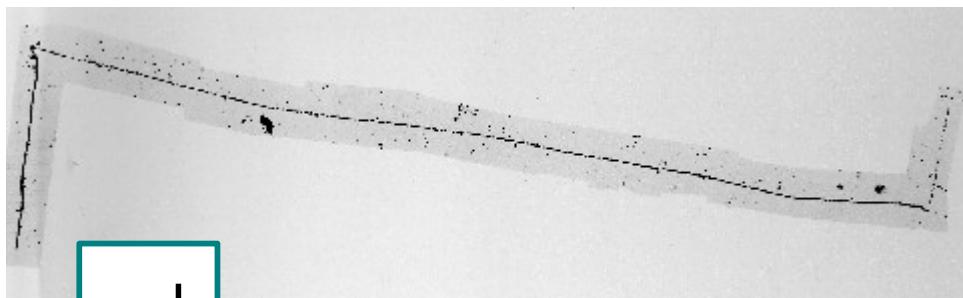
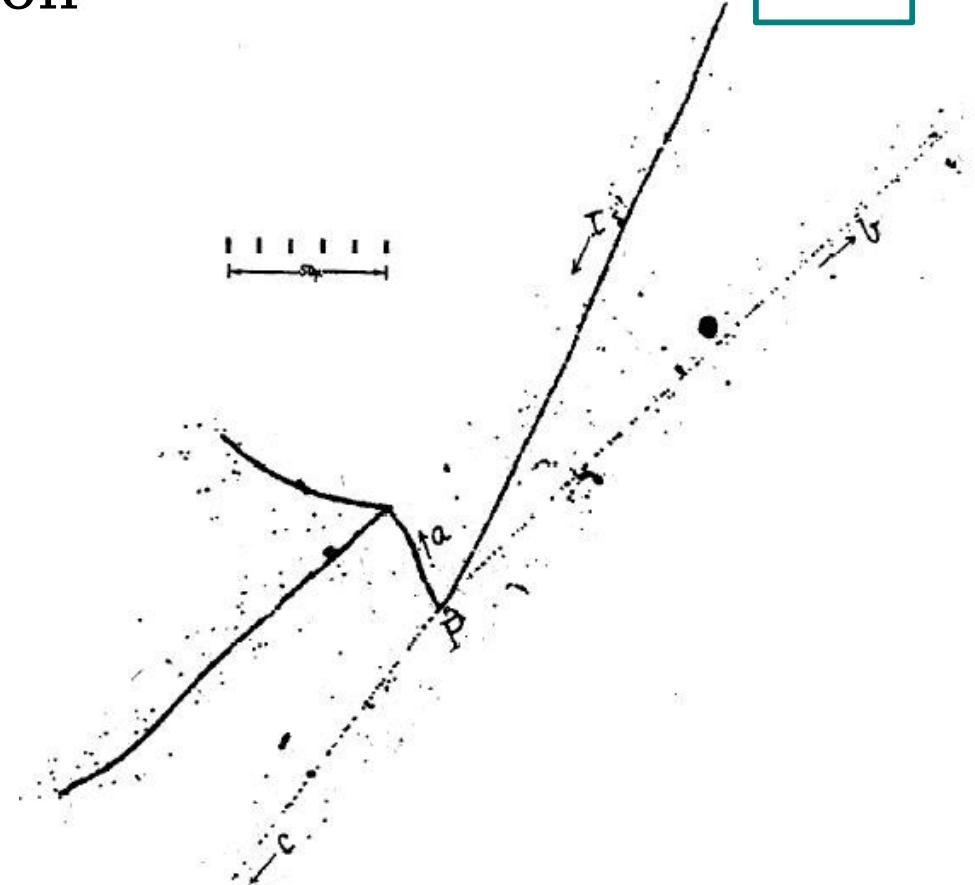
e^+

Particle
Physics

Cosmic Ray
Physics



Anderson
discovery
of positron

 K^\pm  π^\pm 

GEOMAGNETIC EFFECTS

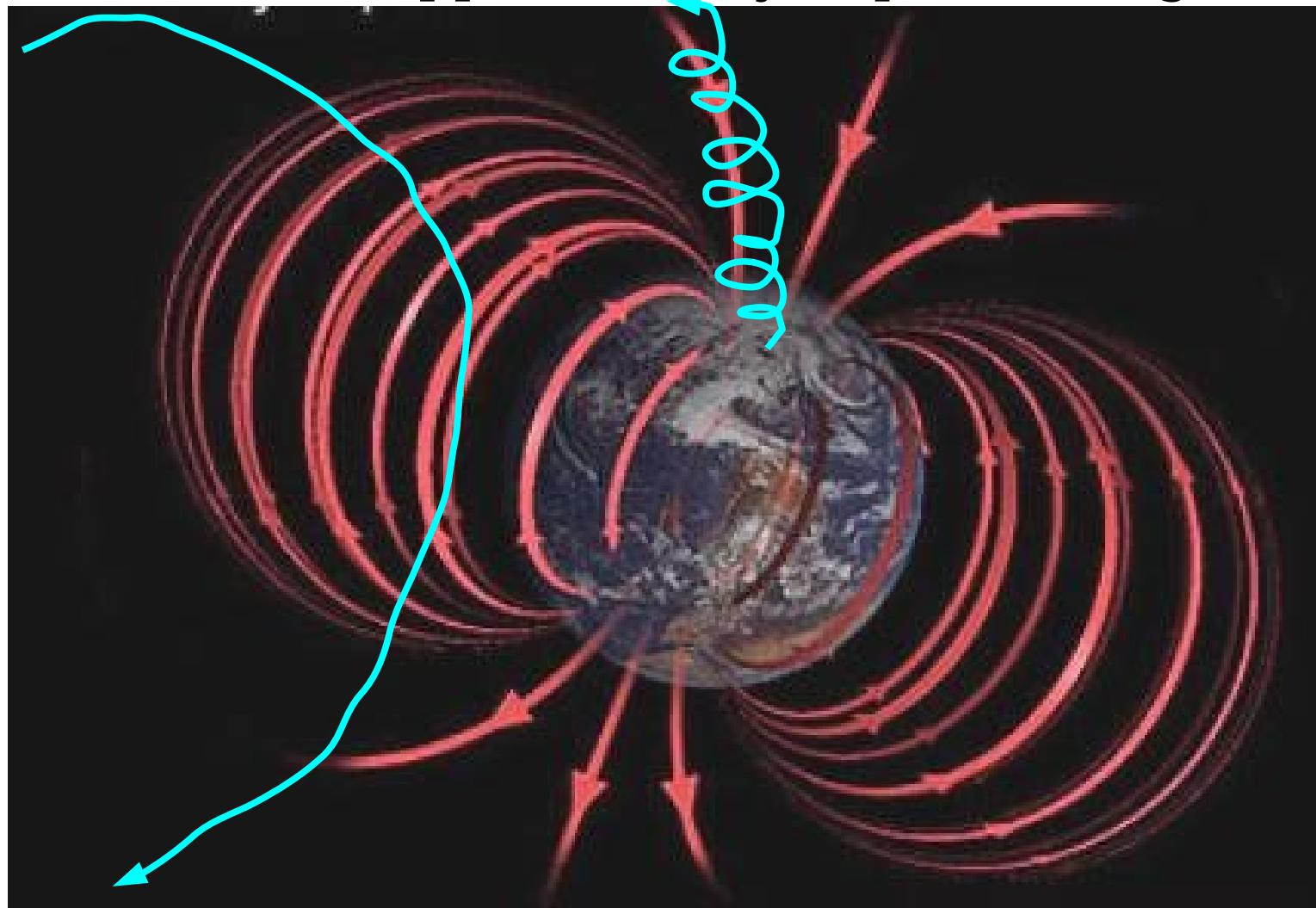
Effetto del campo magnetico terrestre
sui raggi cosmici

SOLAR MODULATIONS

Effetto del vento solare sui raggi cosmici

GEOMAGNETIC EFFECTS

Earth has an approximately dipolar magnetic field



Latitude
Effect

At the magnetic pole particles of any rigidity can arrive
At the equator the geomagnetic effect is maximum

Cosmic Rays in Interstellar Space are

- (1) Isotropic in Direction
(Directions randomized by the geomagnetic field)
- (2) Constant in time
(Or better very slowly varying with time).

At the Earth the Cosmic Rays have some small anisotropy and time variations because of Solar and Terrestrial (Geomagnetic) effects.

COMPTON (1933) Cosmic Rays are **CHARGED**

GEOGRAPHIC STUDY OF COSMIC RAYS

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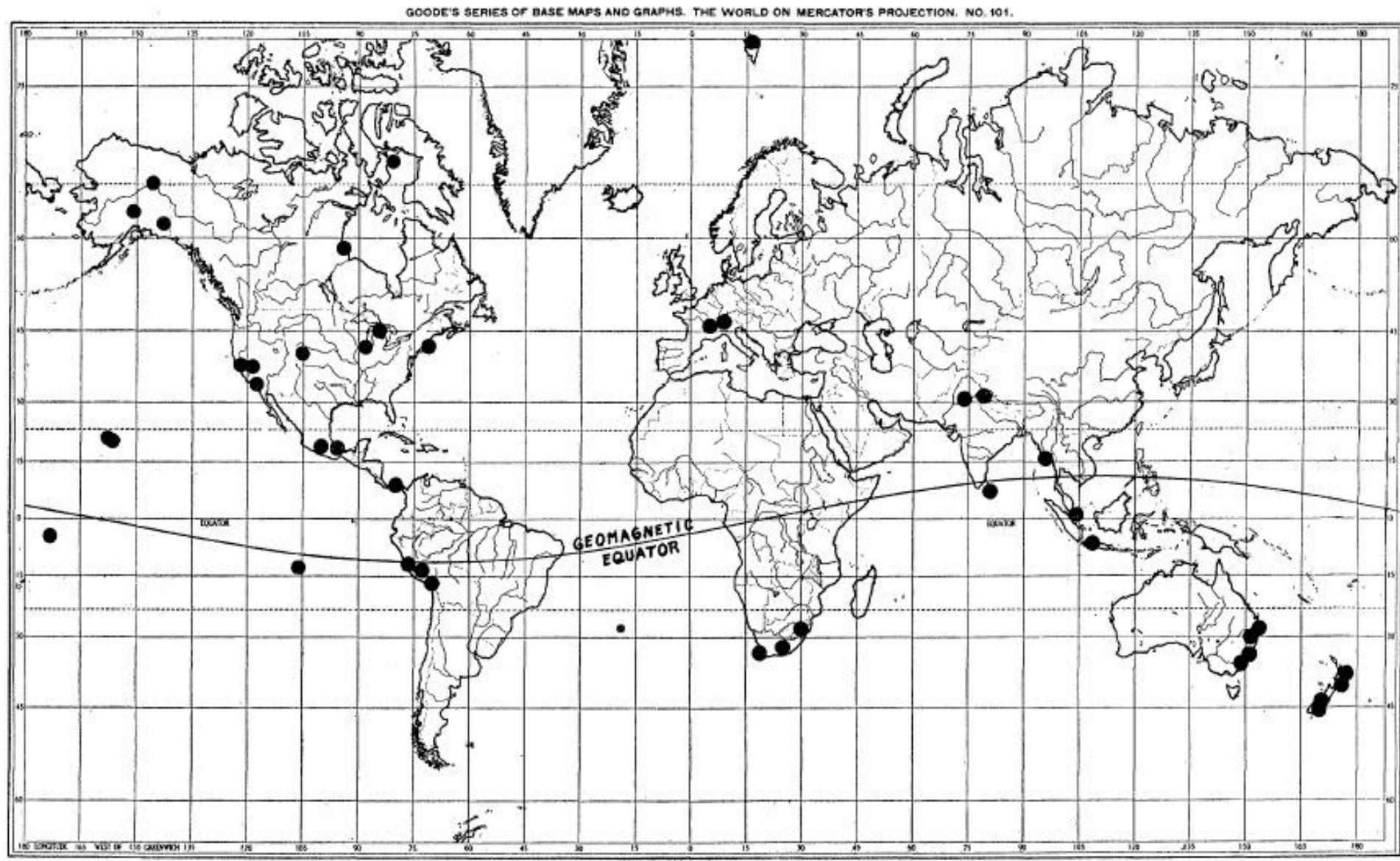


FIG. 1. Map showing location of our major stations for observing cosmic rays.

LATITUDE EFFECT

A Geographic Study of Cosmic Rays

ARTHUR H. COMPTON, *University of Chicago*

(Received January 30, 1933)

LATITUDE EFFECT

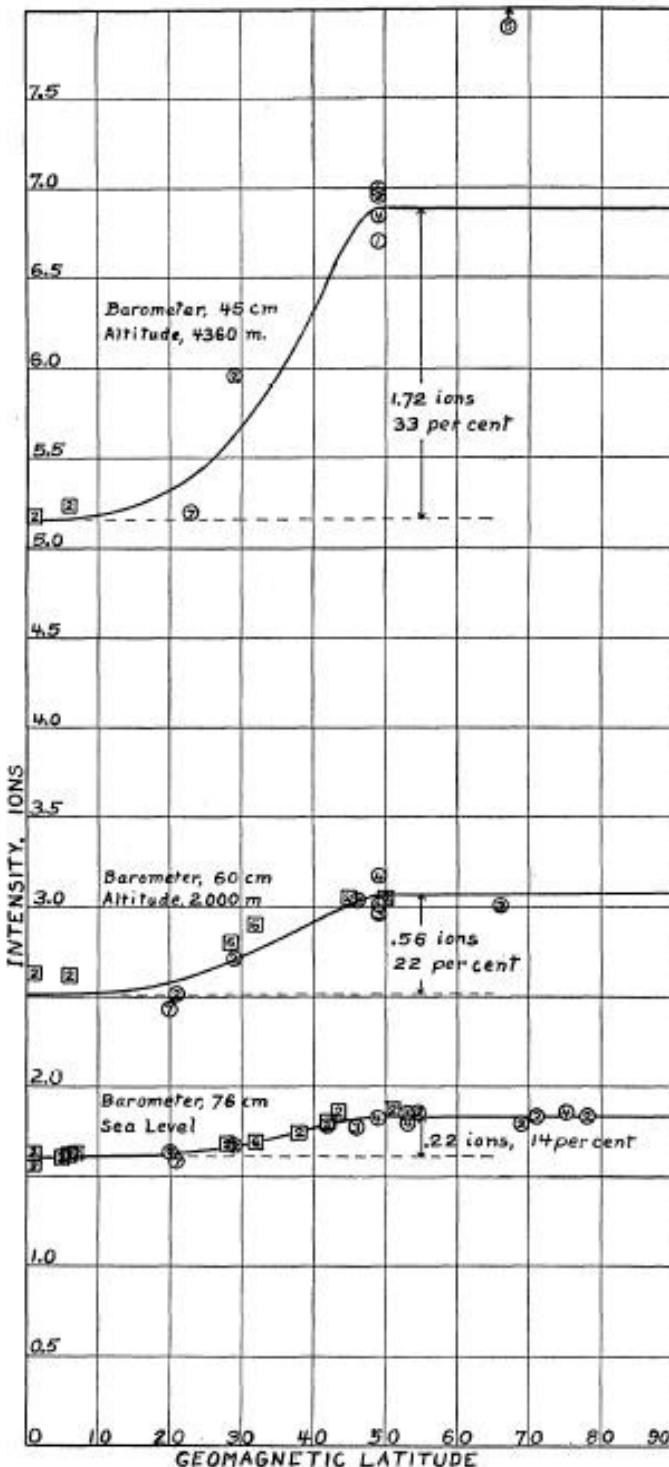
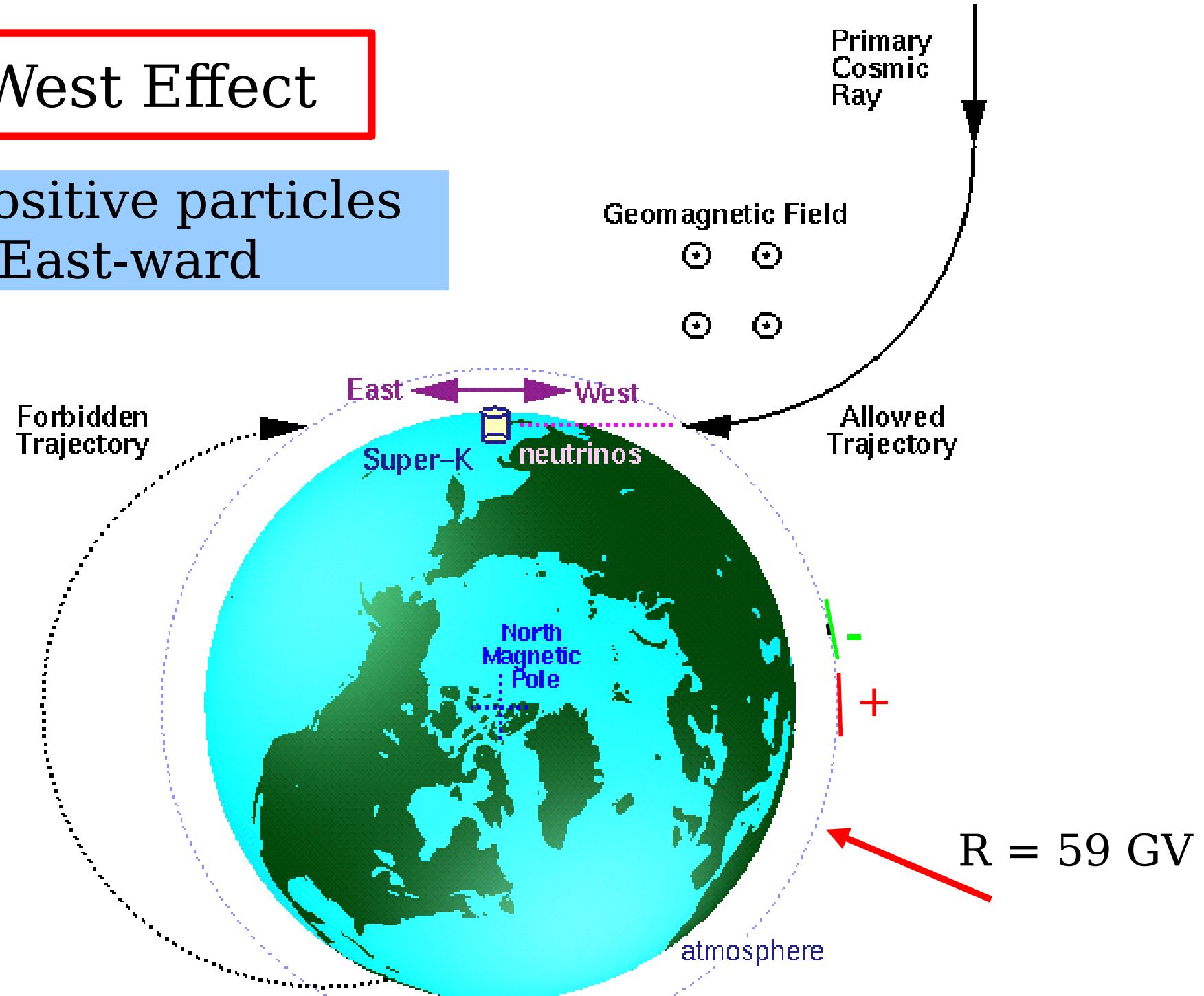


FIG. 6. Intensity vs. geomagnetic latitude for different elevations.

East-West Effect

More positive particles
going East-ward



A Positively Charged Component of Cosmic Rays

Luis Alvarez and Arthur H. Compton
University of Chicago,

Received 22 April 1933

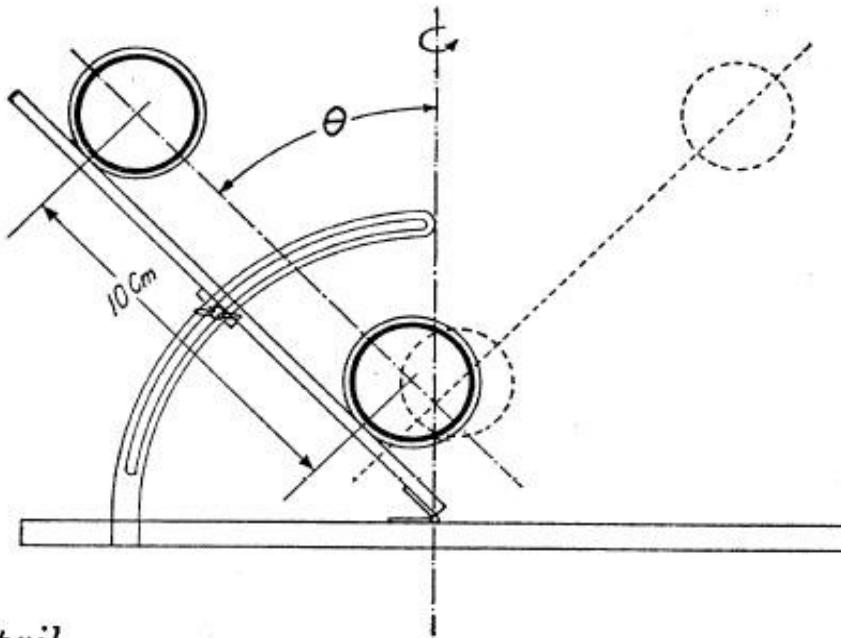
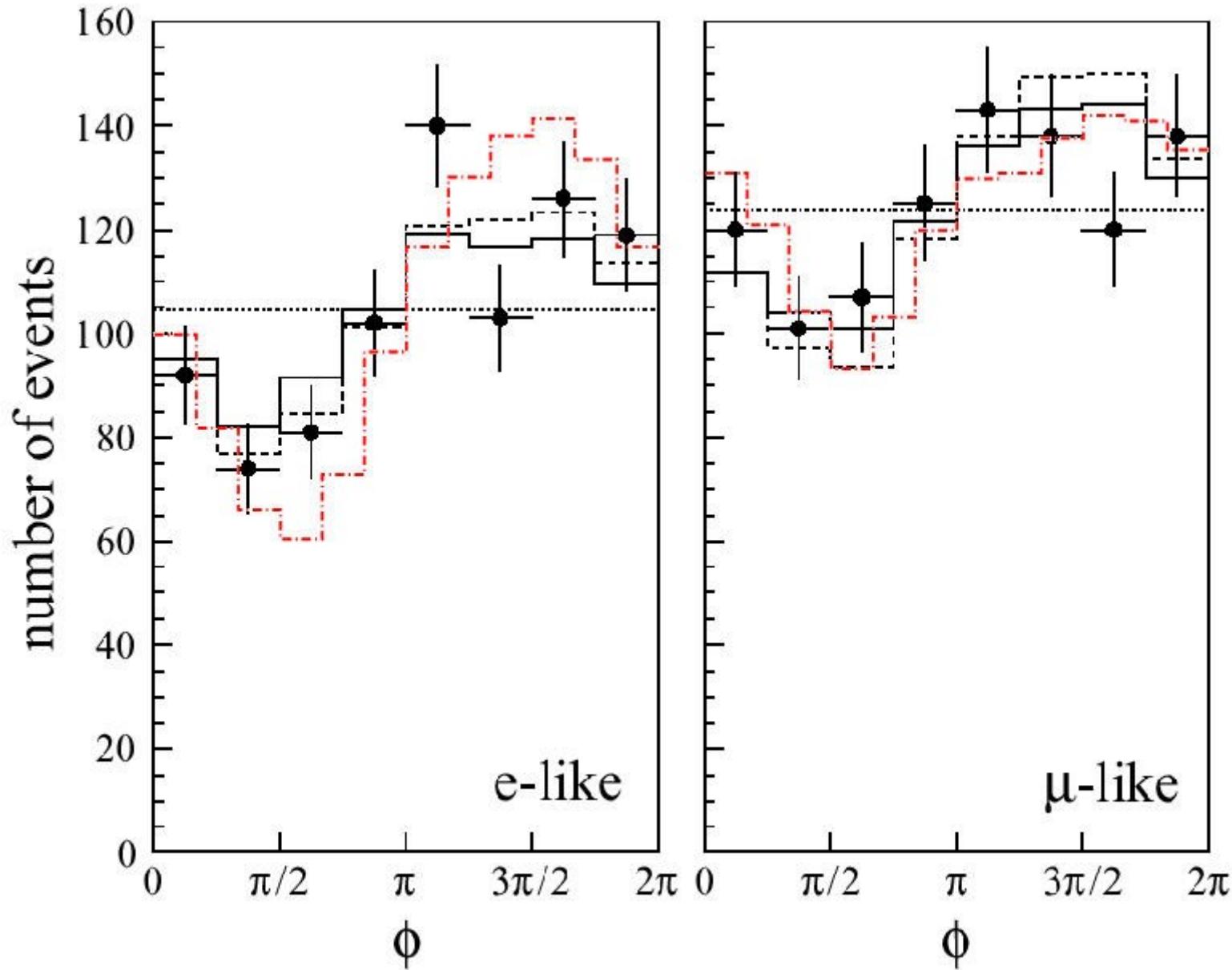


TABLE I. *East-west measurements at Mexico City, April, 1933.*

Geomagnetic latitude 29°N , elevation 2310 m, barometer, 56.5 cm.

| Zenith angle | West | East | West/East |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| 15° | Counts 5370 Rate 6.83 ± 0.07 | 4856 6.64 ± 0.07 | 1.03 ± 0.02 |
| 30° | Counts 4897 Rate 5.79 ± 0.06 | 4869 5.49 ± 0.06 | 1.055 ± 0.015 |
| 45° | Counts 2691 Rate 3.70 ± 0.05 | 2693 3.30 ± 0.05 | 1.12 ± 0.02 |

East- West effect with neutrinos measured by Super-Kamiokande





In the absence of a magnetic field the Cosmic Rays would be ISOTROPIC.

- (a) Same flux in different points of the Earth
- (b) Same flux for different directions

The Earth has a magnetic Field
(in first approximation a Dipole Field)

At the surface:

$$B_{\text{poles}} = 0.6 \text{ Gauss} (6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ T})$$

$$B_{\text{equator}} = 0.3 \text{ Gauss} (3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ T})$$

The geomagnetic field forbids
low RIGIDITY particles to reach the surface
of the Earth from outside the solar system.

RIGIDITY = Momentum / Electric Charge

$$[\text{GV} / \text{c}] \quad [\text{GeV} / \text{c}] / e$$

For an exactly **dipolar field**
Analytic solution (Stormer):

$$\text{Rigidity} = p/Ze$$

All allowed trajectories have $R > R_{\text{cutoff}}(r, \lambda, \Omega)$

Stormer Cutoff

$$R_S(r, \lambda, \theta, \varphi) = \left(\frac{M}{2r^2} \right) \left\{ \frac{\cos^4 \lambda}{[1 + (1 - \cos^3 \lambda \sin \theta \sin \varphi)^{1/2}]^2} \right\}$$

M = magnetic moment of the dipole

r = distance from center

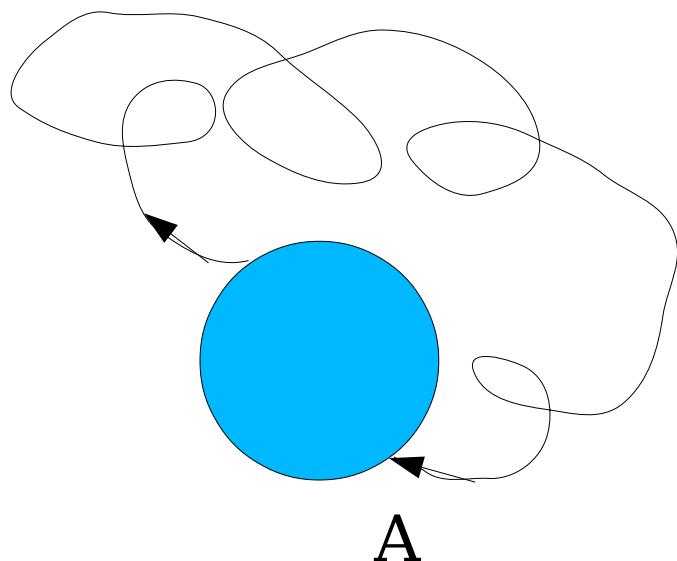
λ = Magnetic Latitude

θ, ϕ = local zenith and azimuth angles

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An Observer at point A
does not observe a Cosmic Ray arriving from
the Direction Ω with Rigidity $R = p/Ze$
because it should originate from the surface of the Earth.

“Forbidden Trajectory”



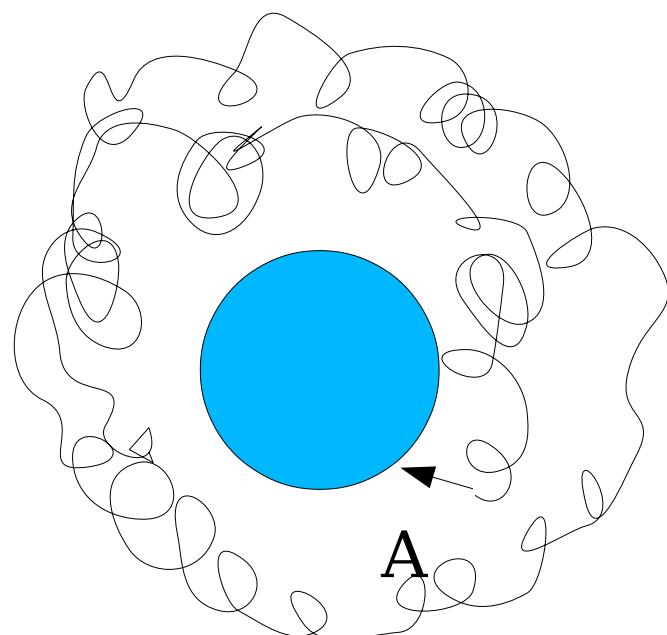
A trajectory is identified by:

Position on the Earth
Direction
Rigidity

For forbidden trajectories
the flux must be zero

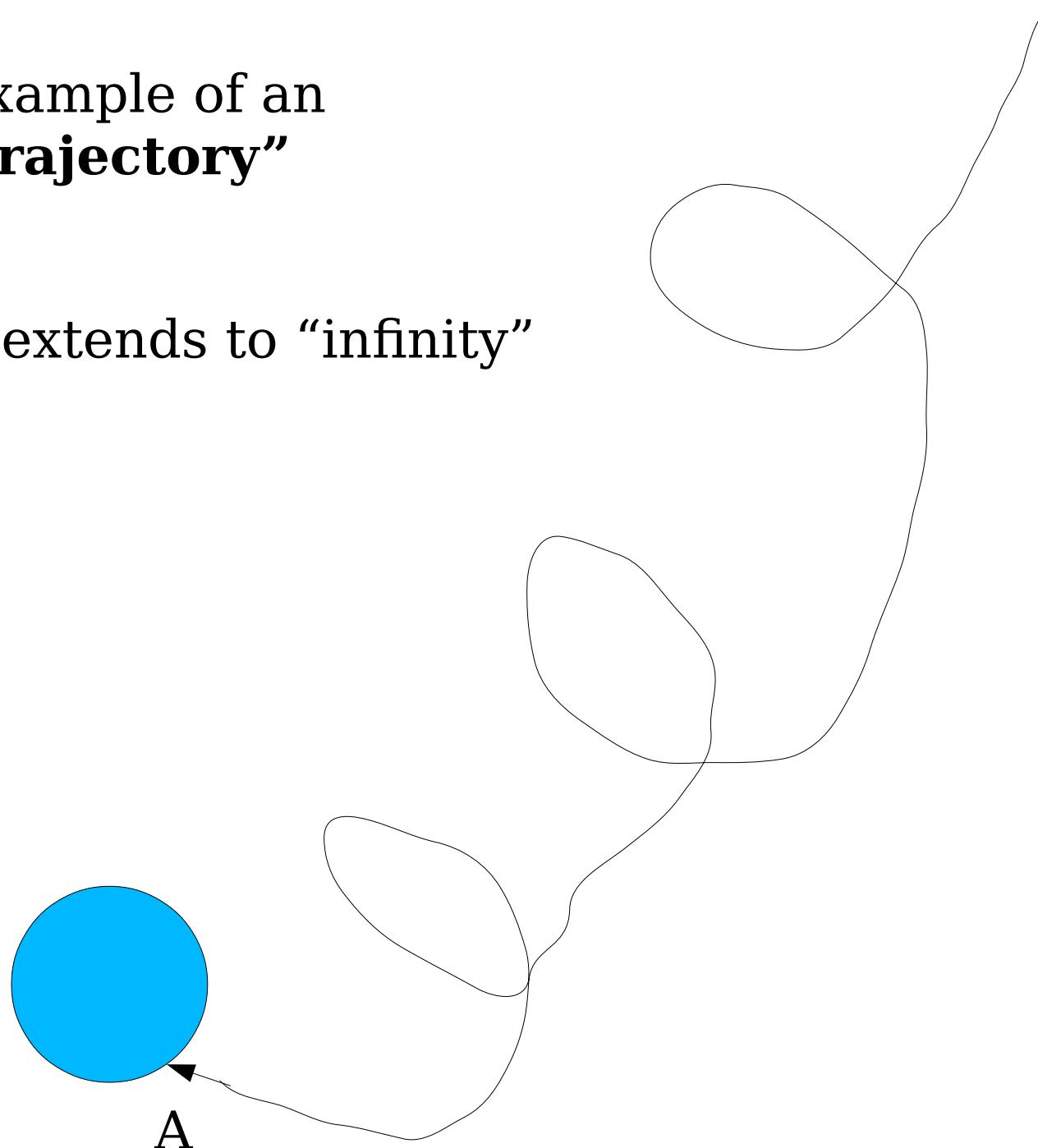
A different case of a “**Forbidden Trajectory**”

Remains confined in the vicinity of the Earth



This is an example of an
“Allowed Trajectory”

Because it extends to “infinity”



The magnetic field prevents low rigidity particles from reaching the surface of the Earth.

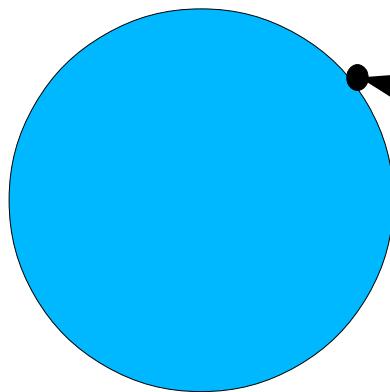
IF:

**The interstellar flux is isotropic
the e.m. Field around the Earth is purely
magnetic
from the LIOUVILLE theorem one obtains:**

$$\phi_{\vec{x}}(p, \Omega) = \phi_{\infty}(p) \times \zeta(p, \Omega, \vec{x})$$

ζ is either 0 or 1

- Flux is ISOTROPIC at large distances from the Earth $\Phi(p)$
- Space is filled with a static Magnetic Field



Point A

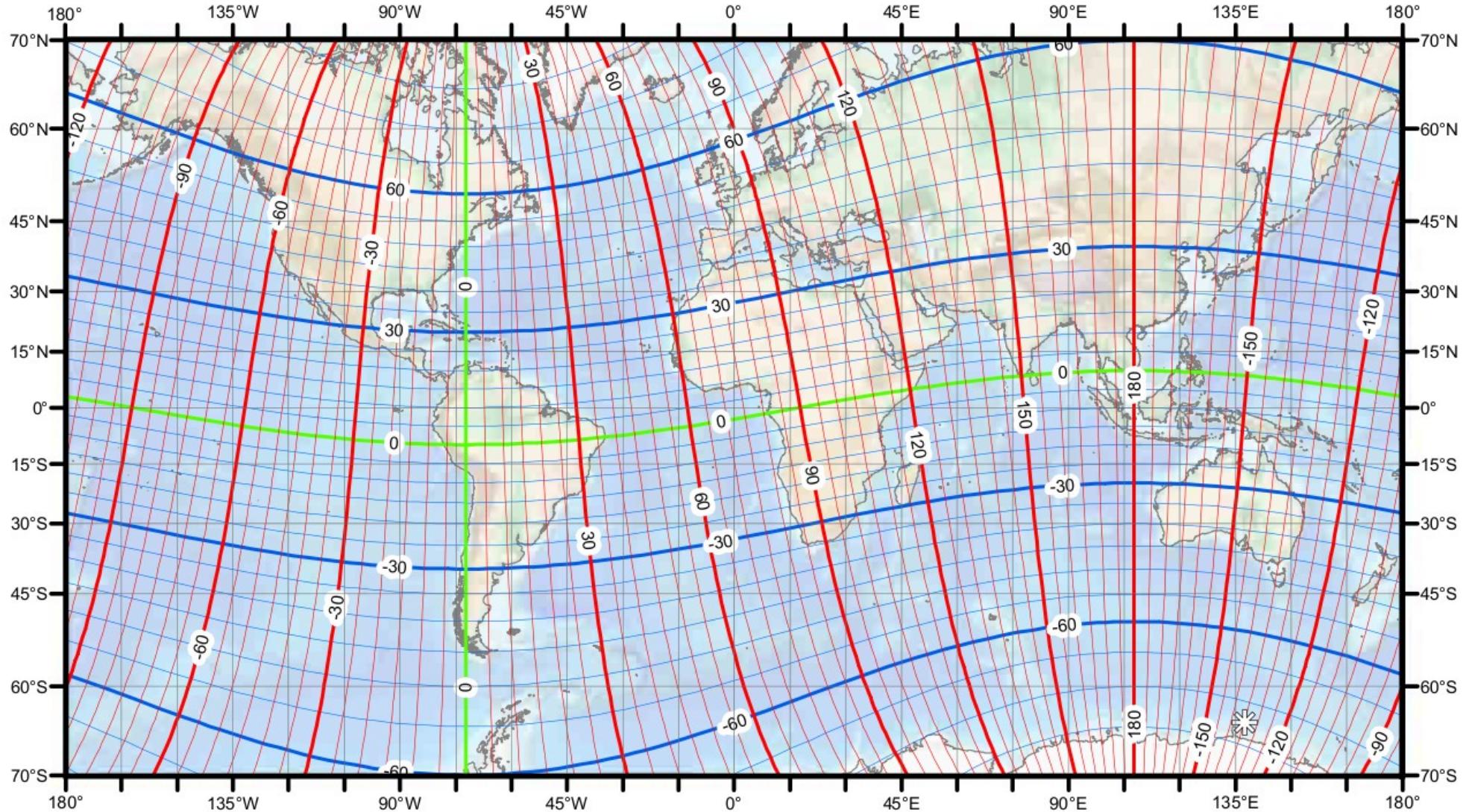
Flux at point A:

$$\Phi(p, A, \Omega) = \Phi(p) \text{ or } 0$$

| | |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Allowed Trajectory | $\Phi(p)$ |
| (Forbidden) | 0 |

US/UK World Magnetic Chart -- Epoch 2010

Geomagnetic Coordinates



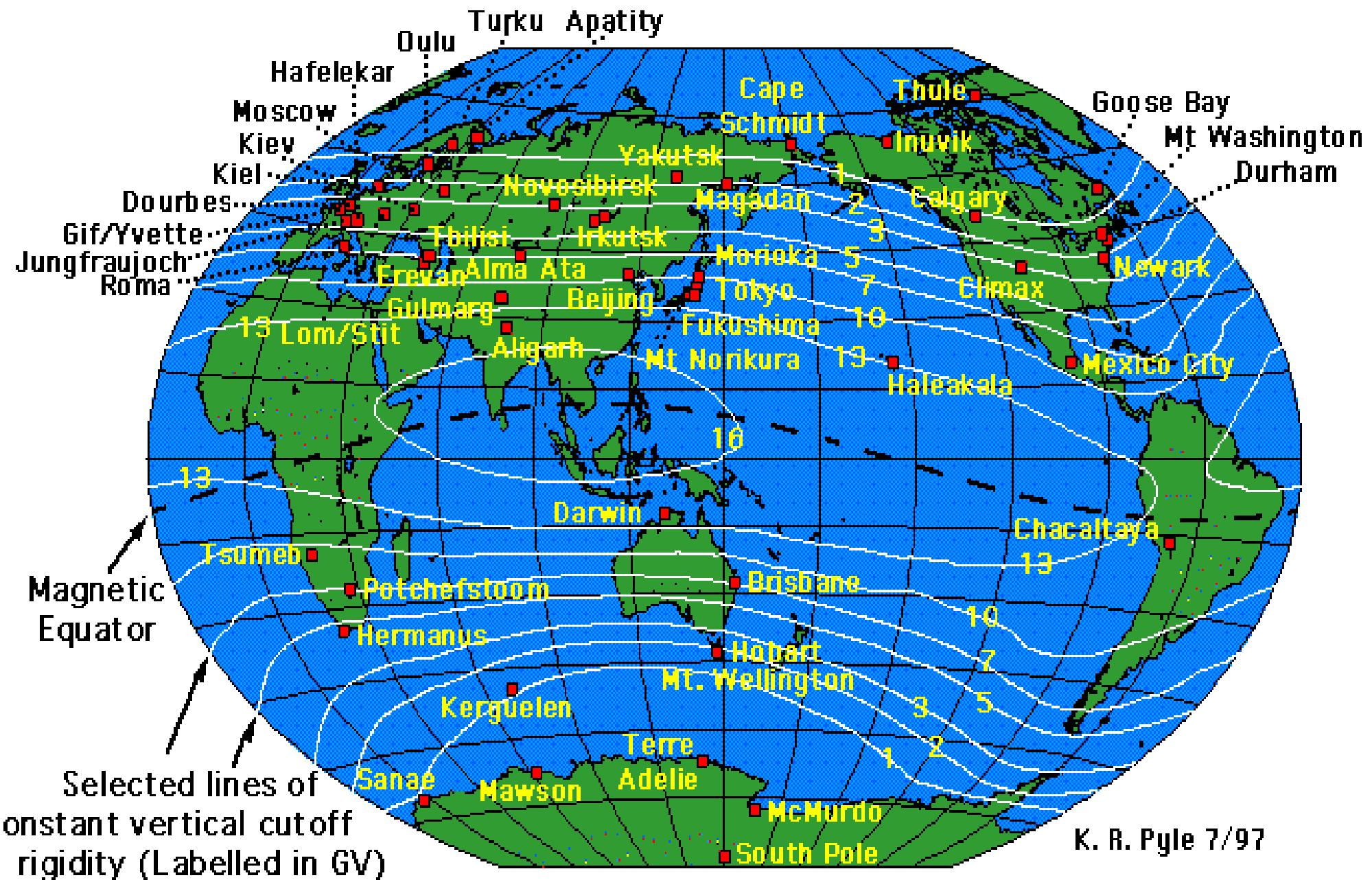
Units: degrees

Contour Interval: 5 degrees

Map Projection: Mercator

LINES OF vertical rigidity cutoff

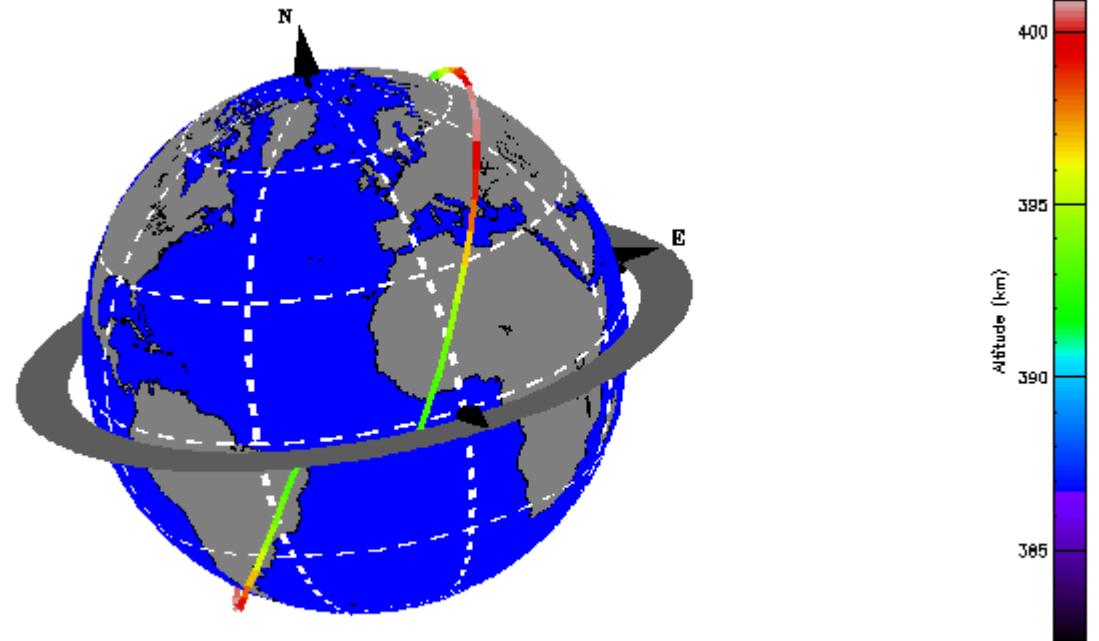
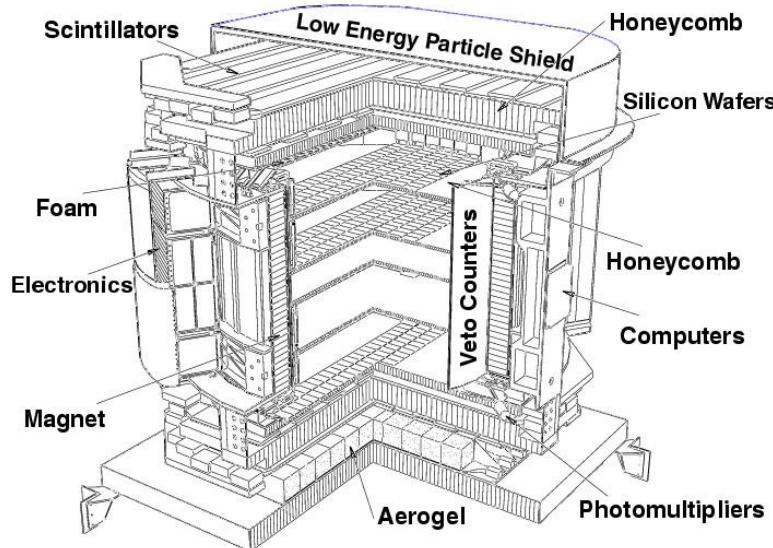
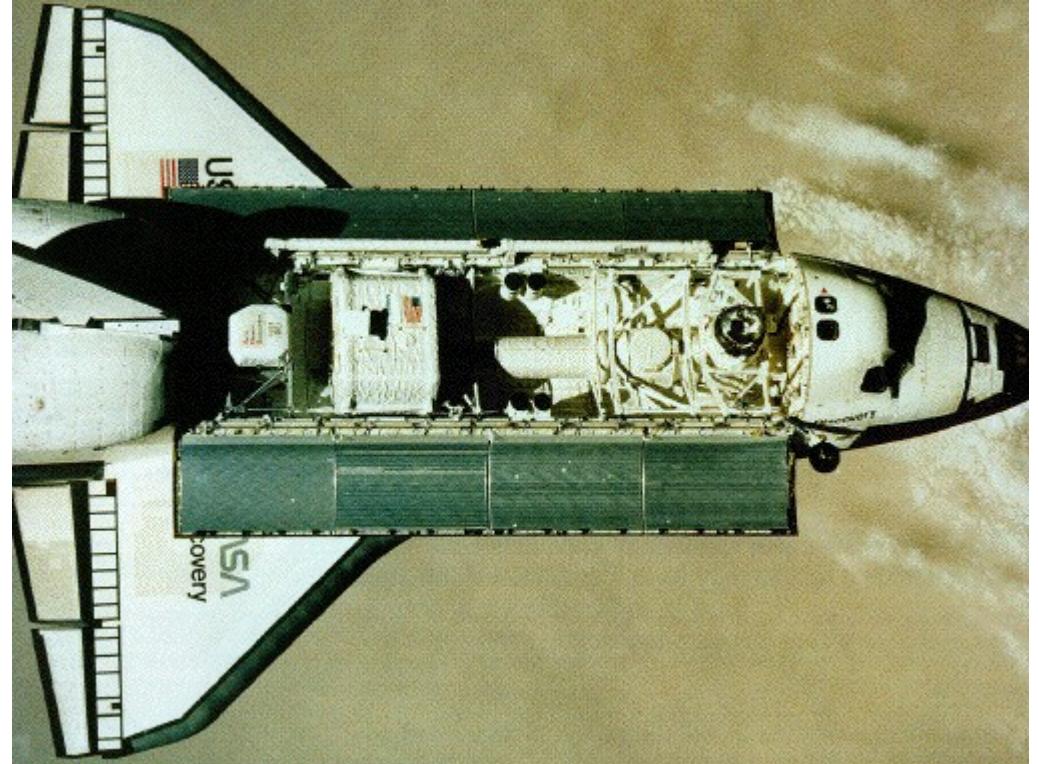
Cosmic Ray Neutron Monitors, 1997



AMS-01 detector

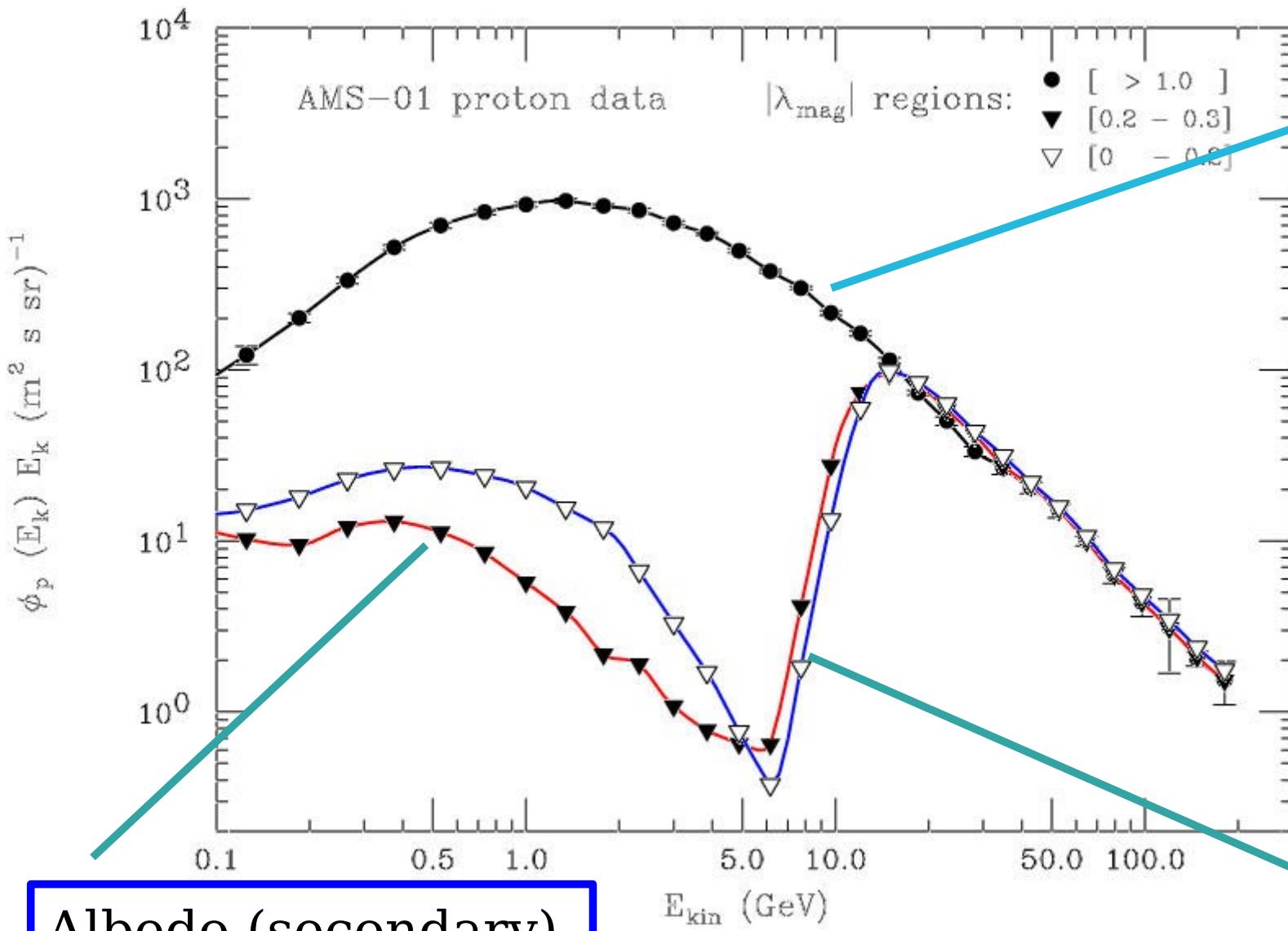
10 days flight
june 1998

AMS orbit
 $h = 400$ Km
inclination 57°



Proton Measurements

$$\lambda_{\text{mag}} < 0.2 \ (11.5^{\circ})$$



Primary Flux

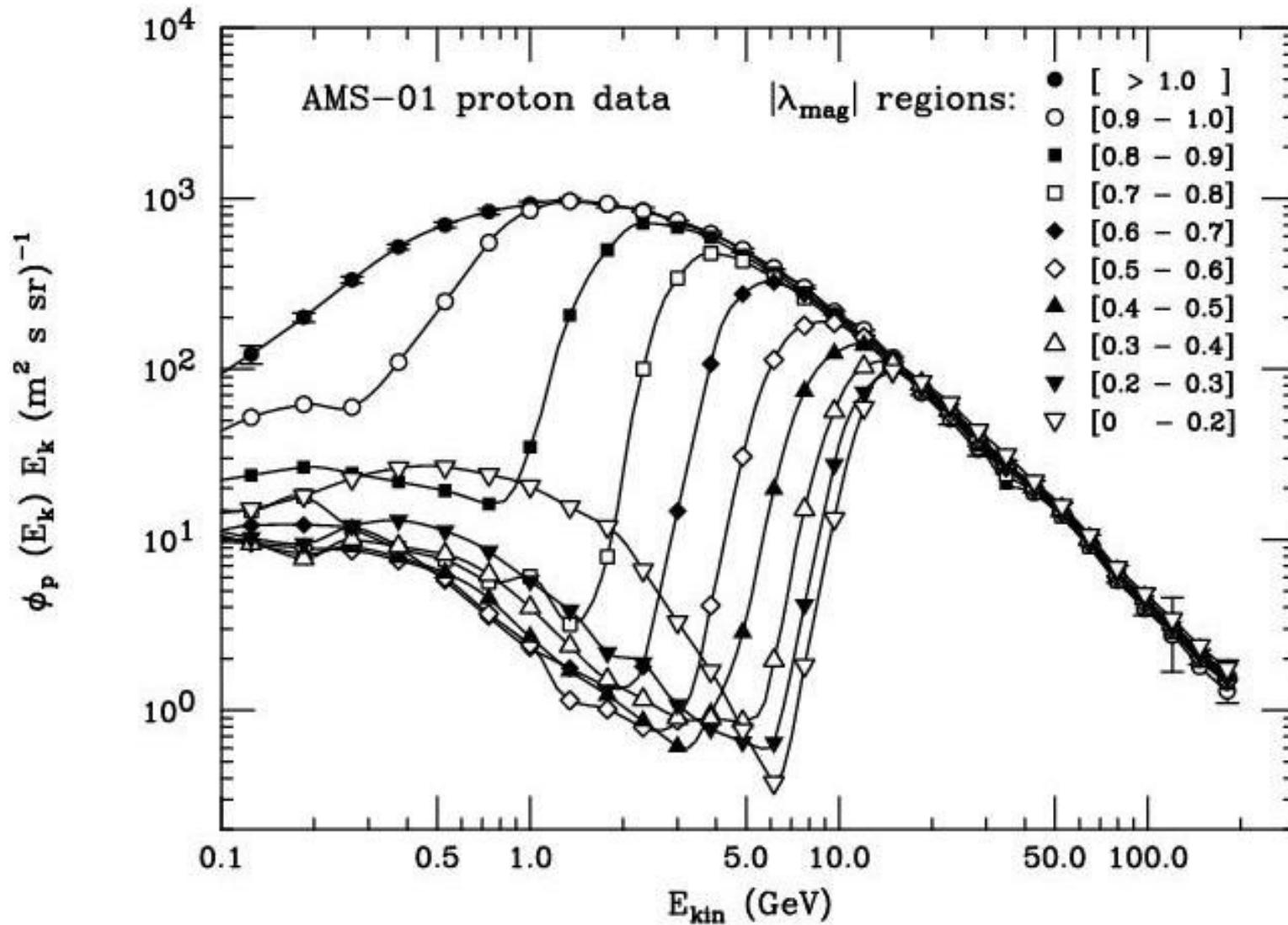
Albedo (secondary)
Flux

Geomagneti
Cutoff

Geomagnetic Effects

AMS-01 Measurements
over different regions of the

Orbit inclination 51.7 degrees

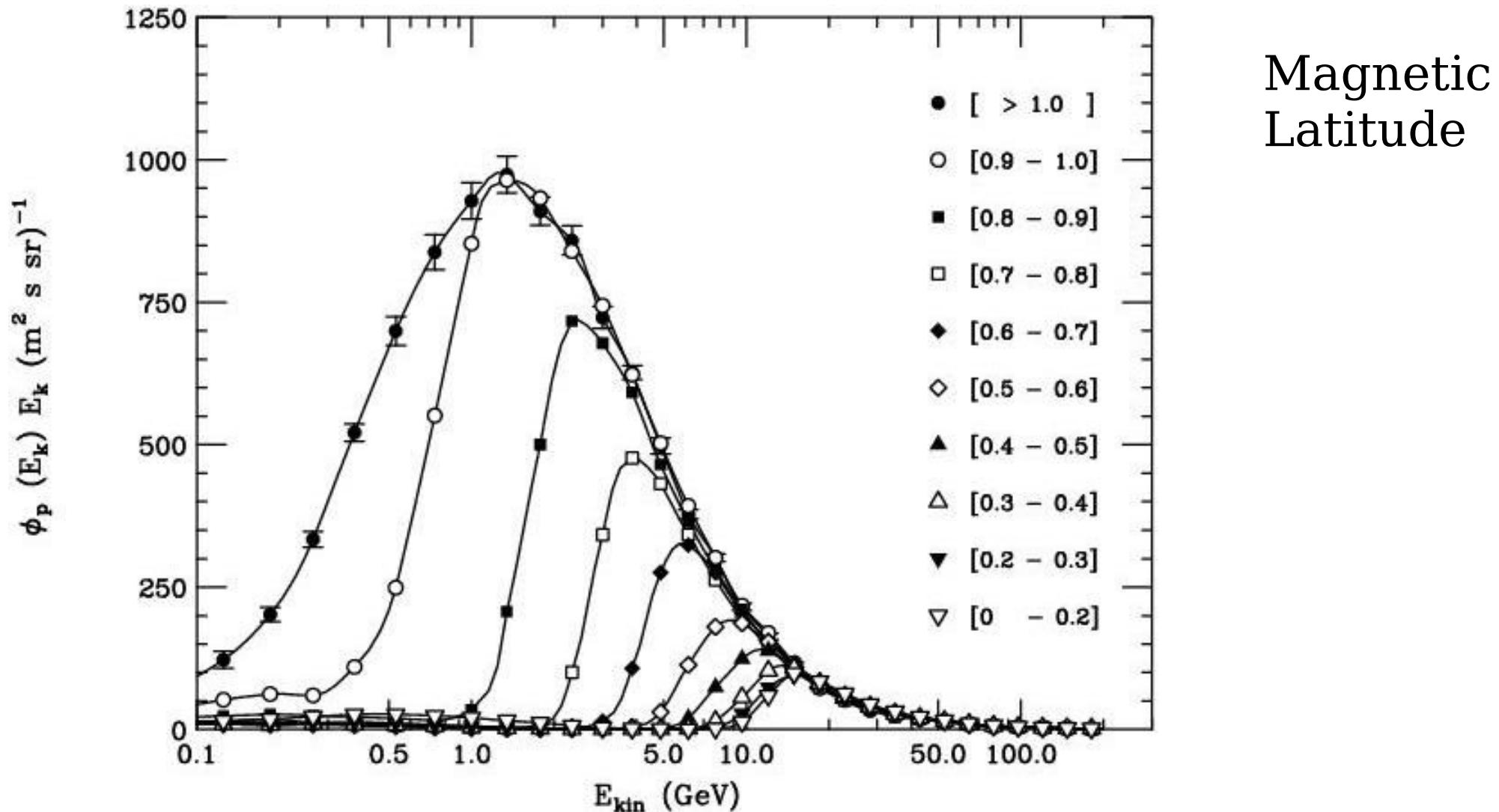


Measurements
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Magnetic
Latitude

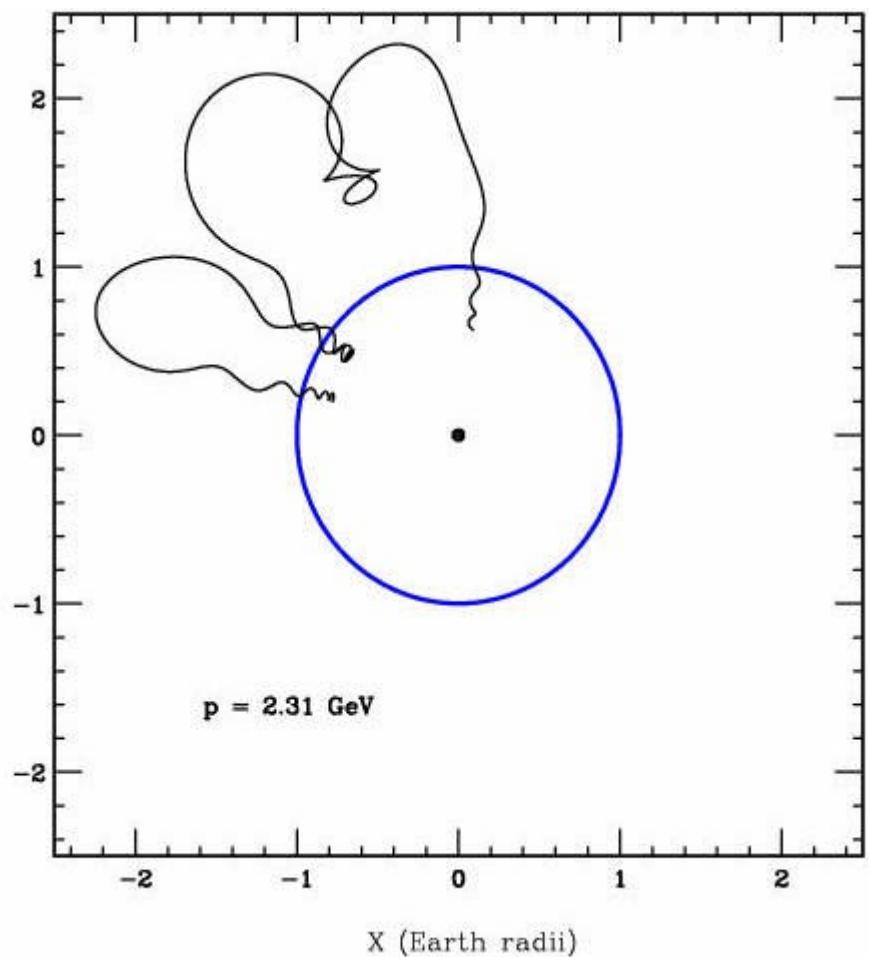
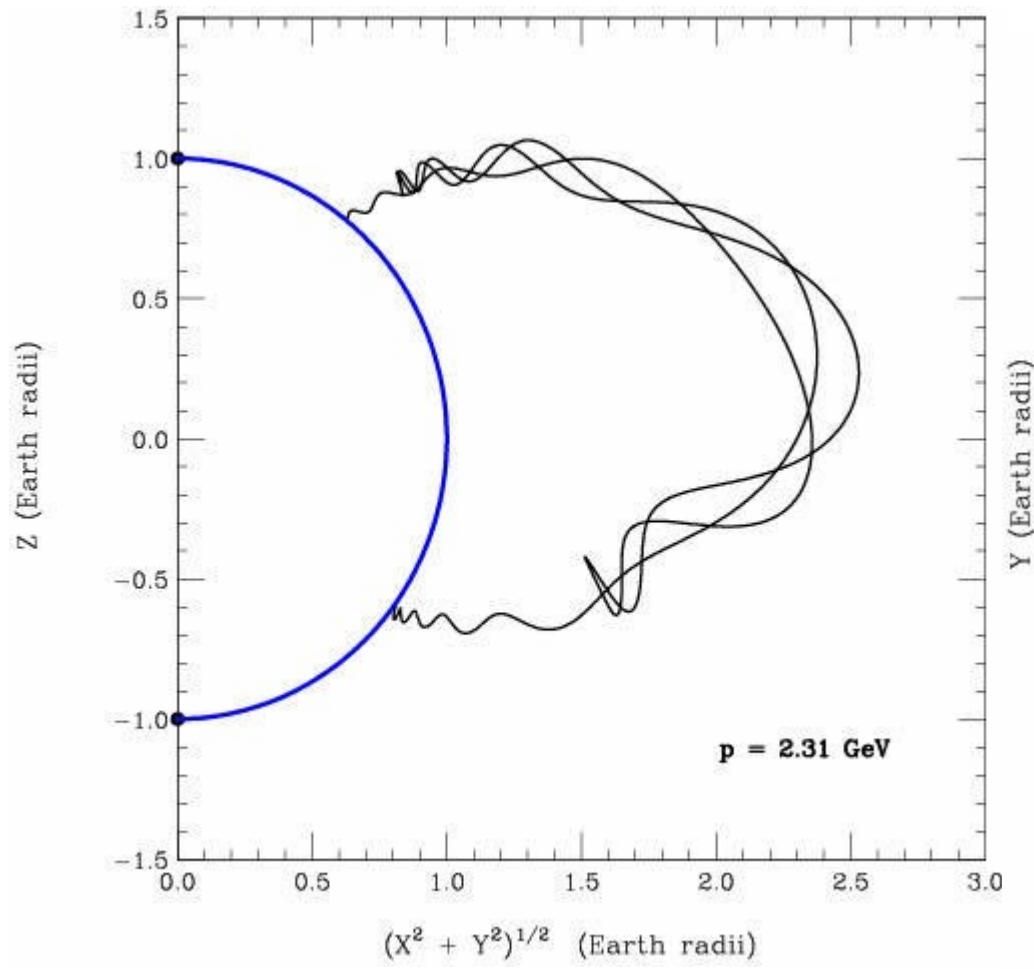
CUTOFF
sub-cutoff
particles

Geomagnetic Effect

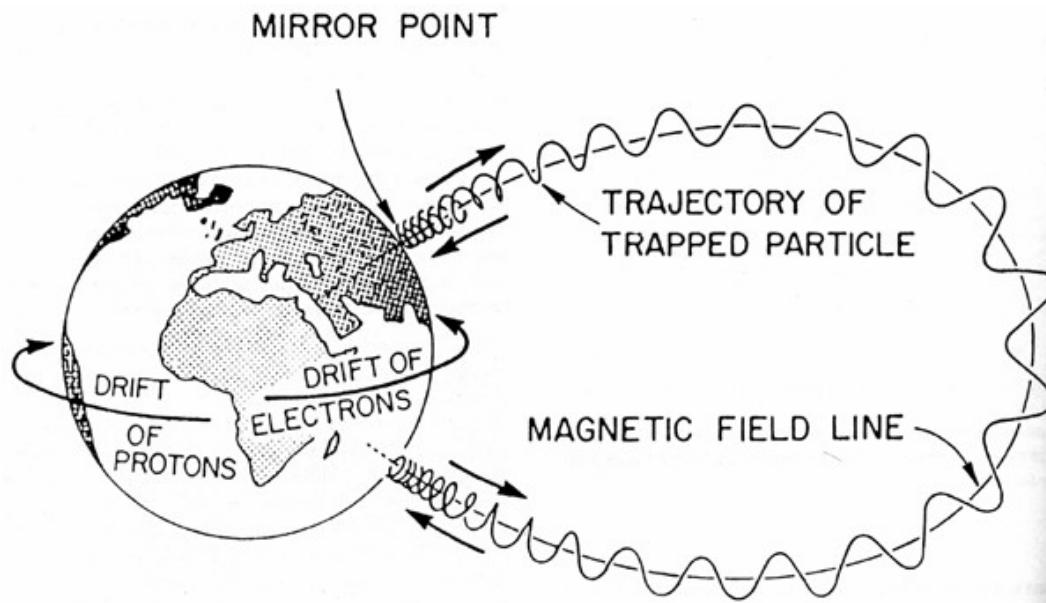
AMS-01 Measurements
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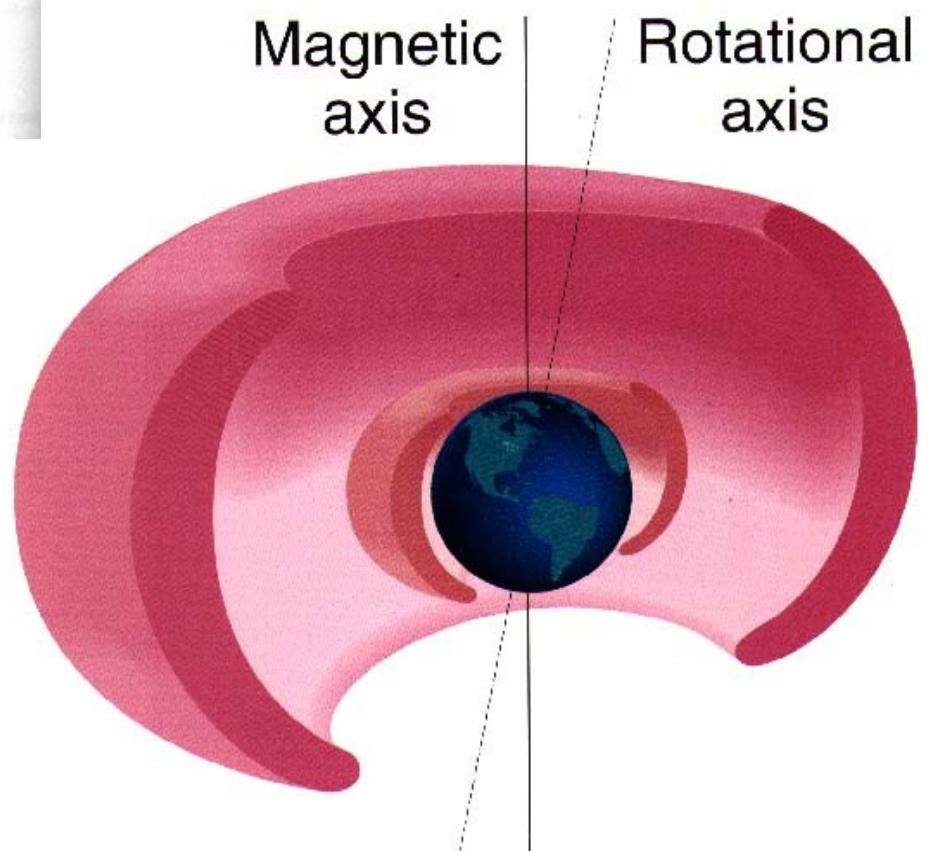
Albedo Particles



Trajectory of trapped particle



Van Allen Belts



Time variations of Primary Cosmic Rays

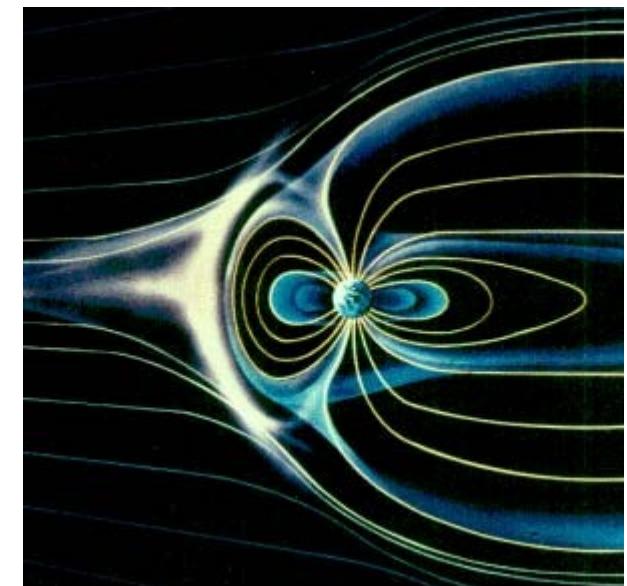
The density of Cosmic Rays in interstellar space is essentially constant in time.

The density at 1 Astronomical Unity from the sun (the Earth orbit radius)

has a small time dependence due to the effects of the solar wind.

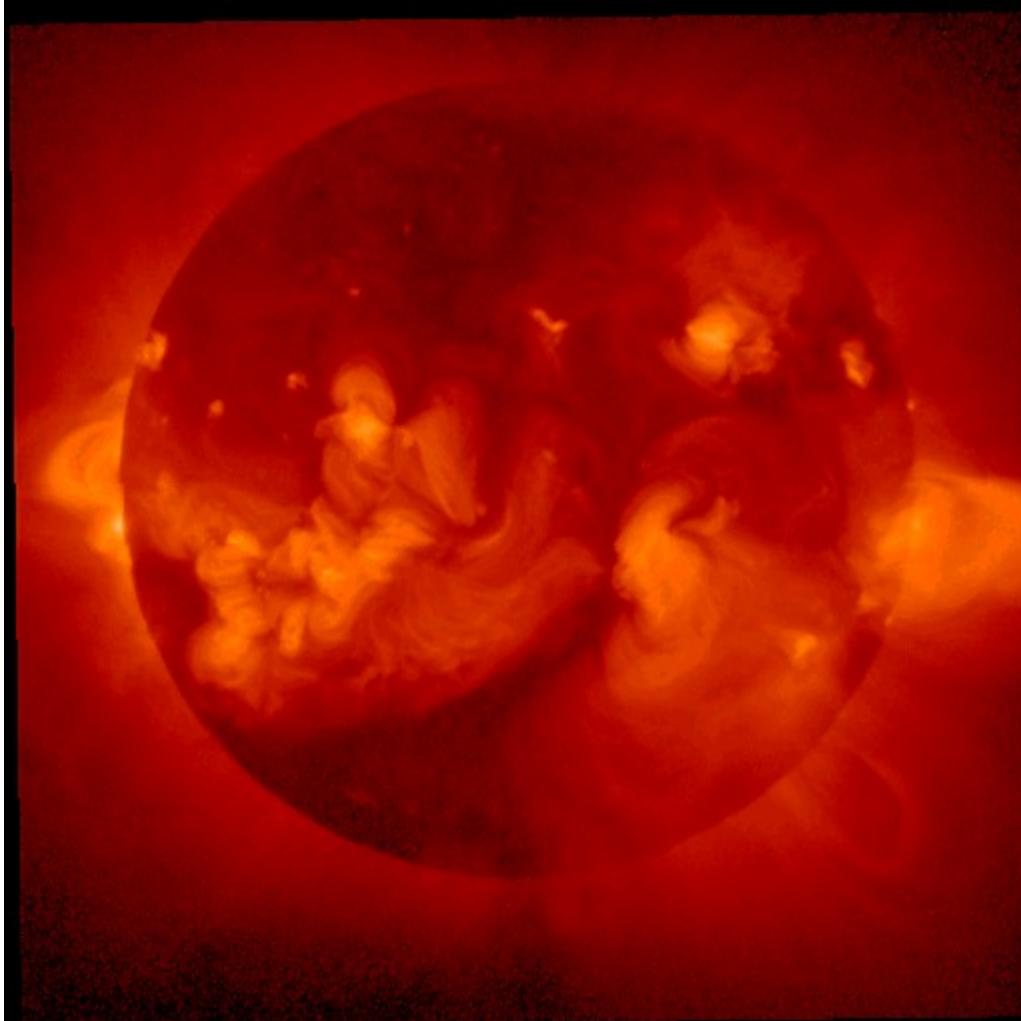
The solar magnetic activity varies with a **(11 + 11) years periodicity**.

SOLAR WIND, stream of plasma
continuously emitted from the sun
that travel with a velocity of approximately 450 Km/s

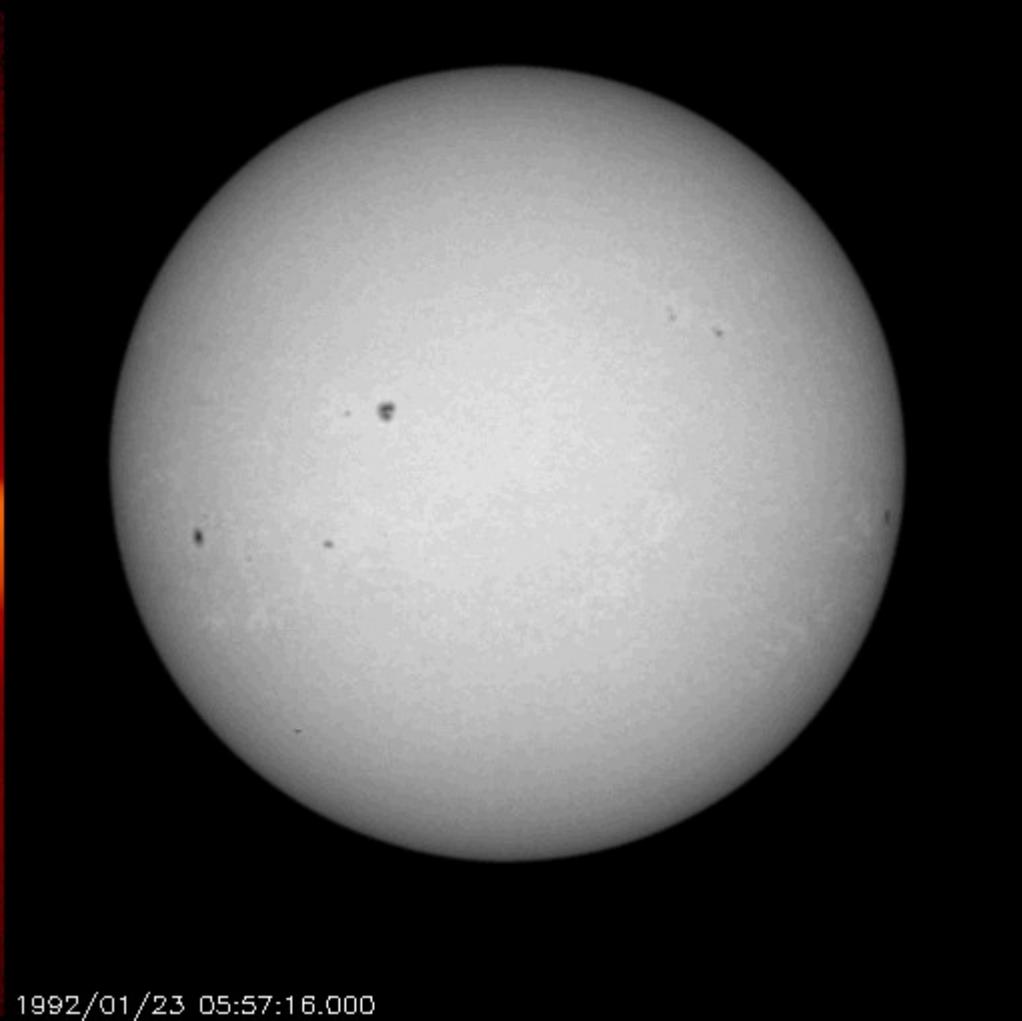


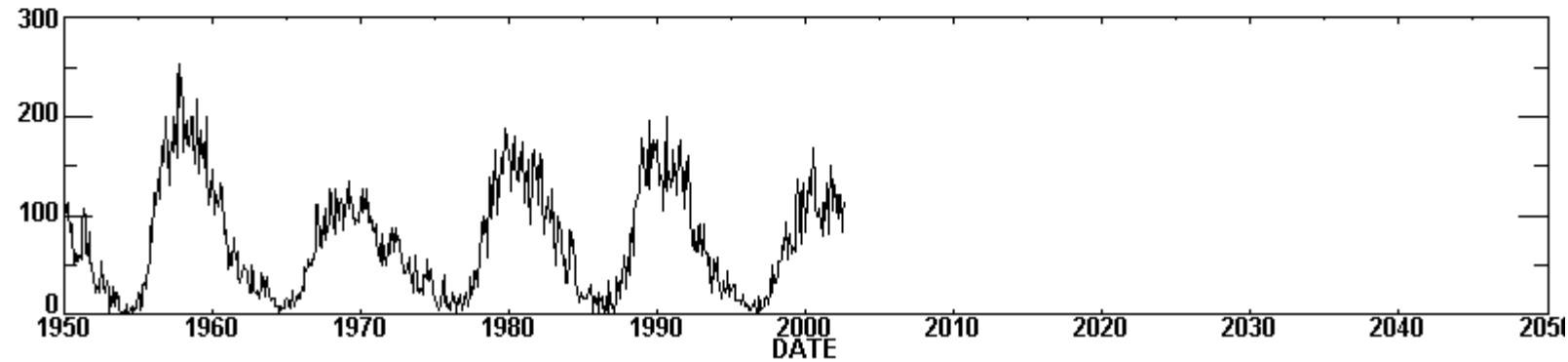
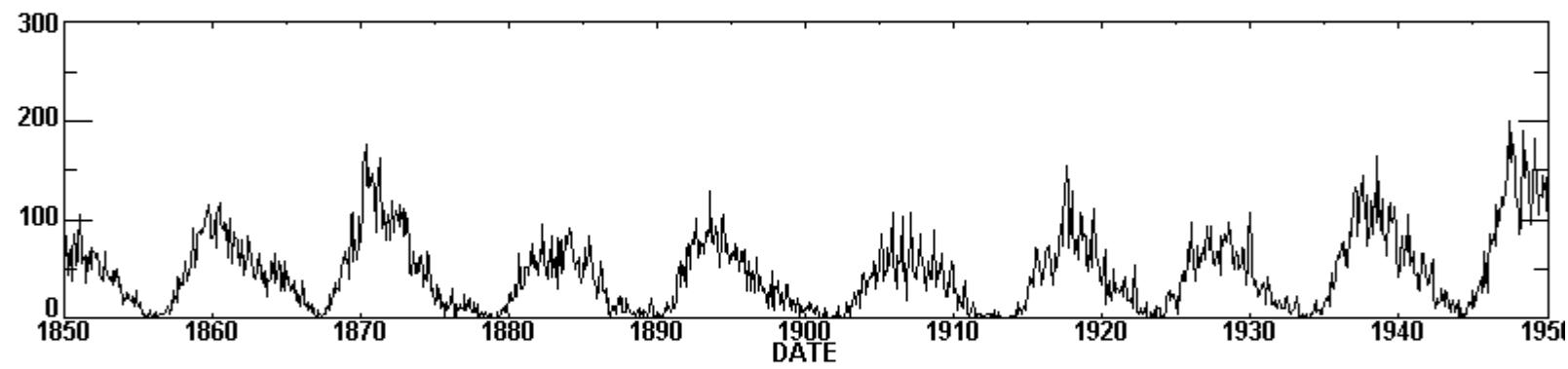
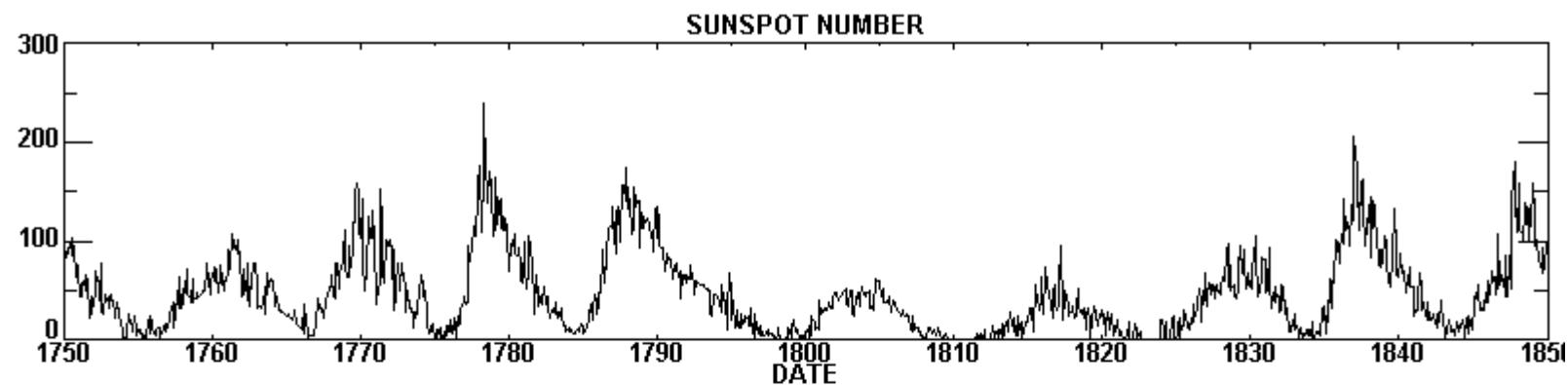
SUNSPOTS: signals of solar activity.

X-rays



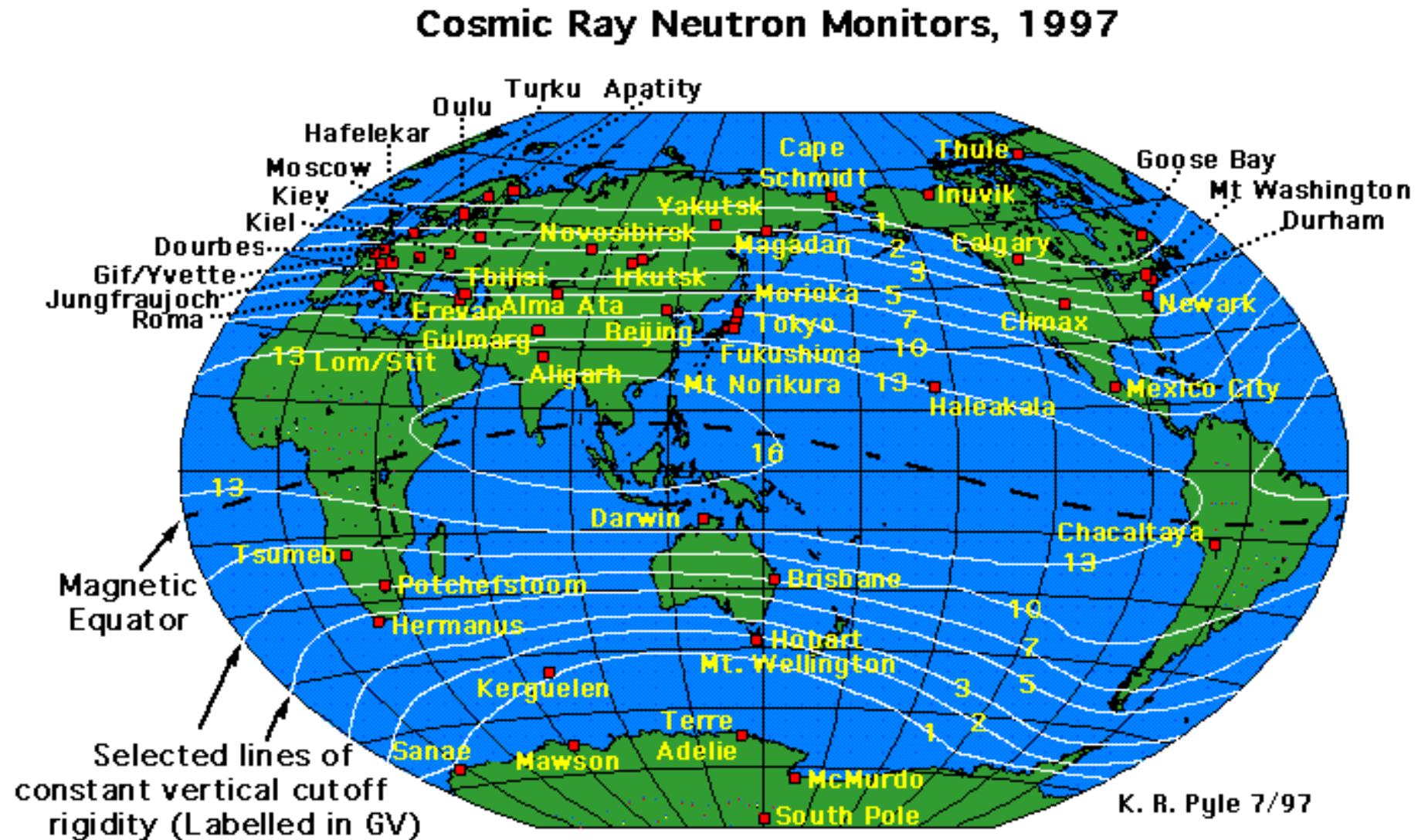
Visible light



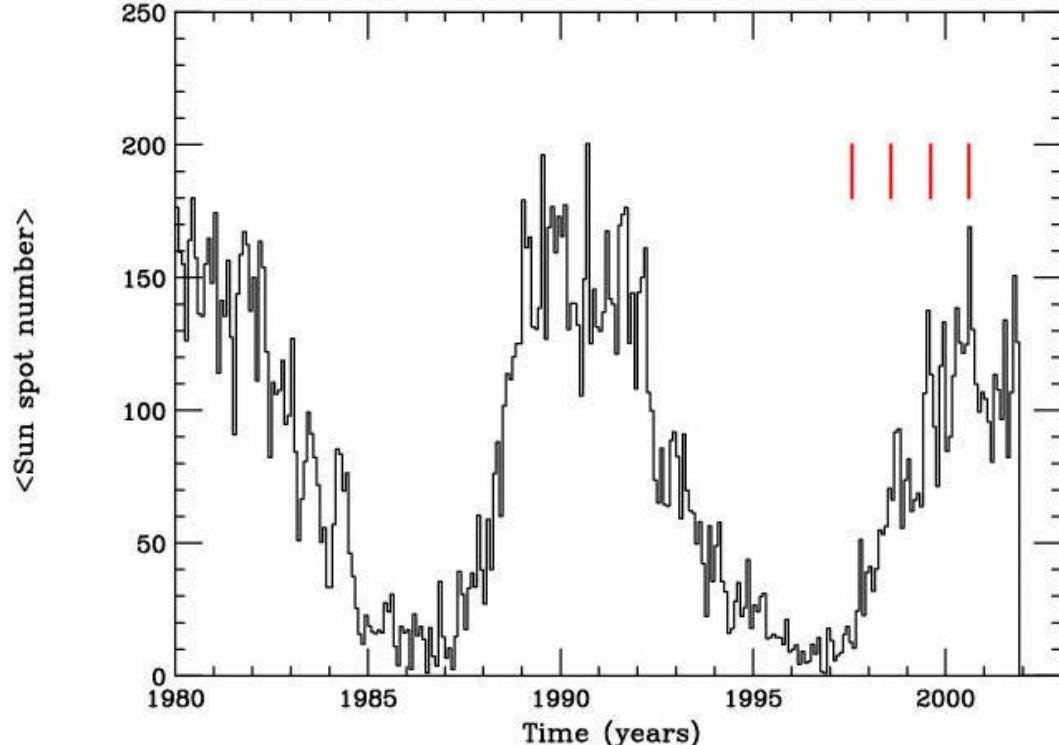


Neutron Monitors

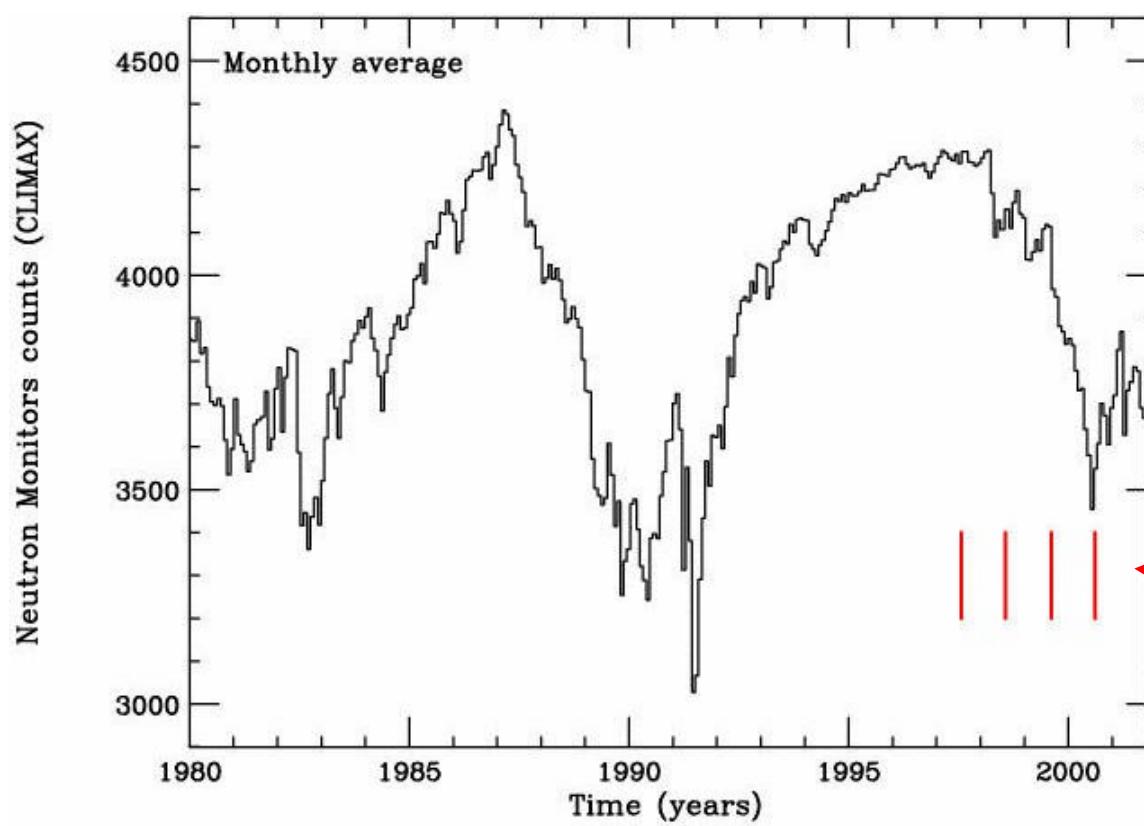
Measure the flux of **neutrons**
produced by the evaporation of Air
nuclei by primary cosmic rays



Sunspot number

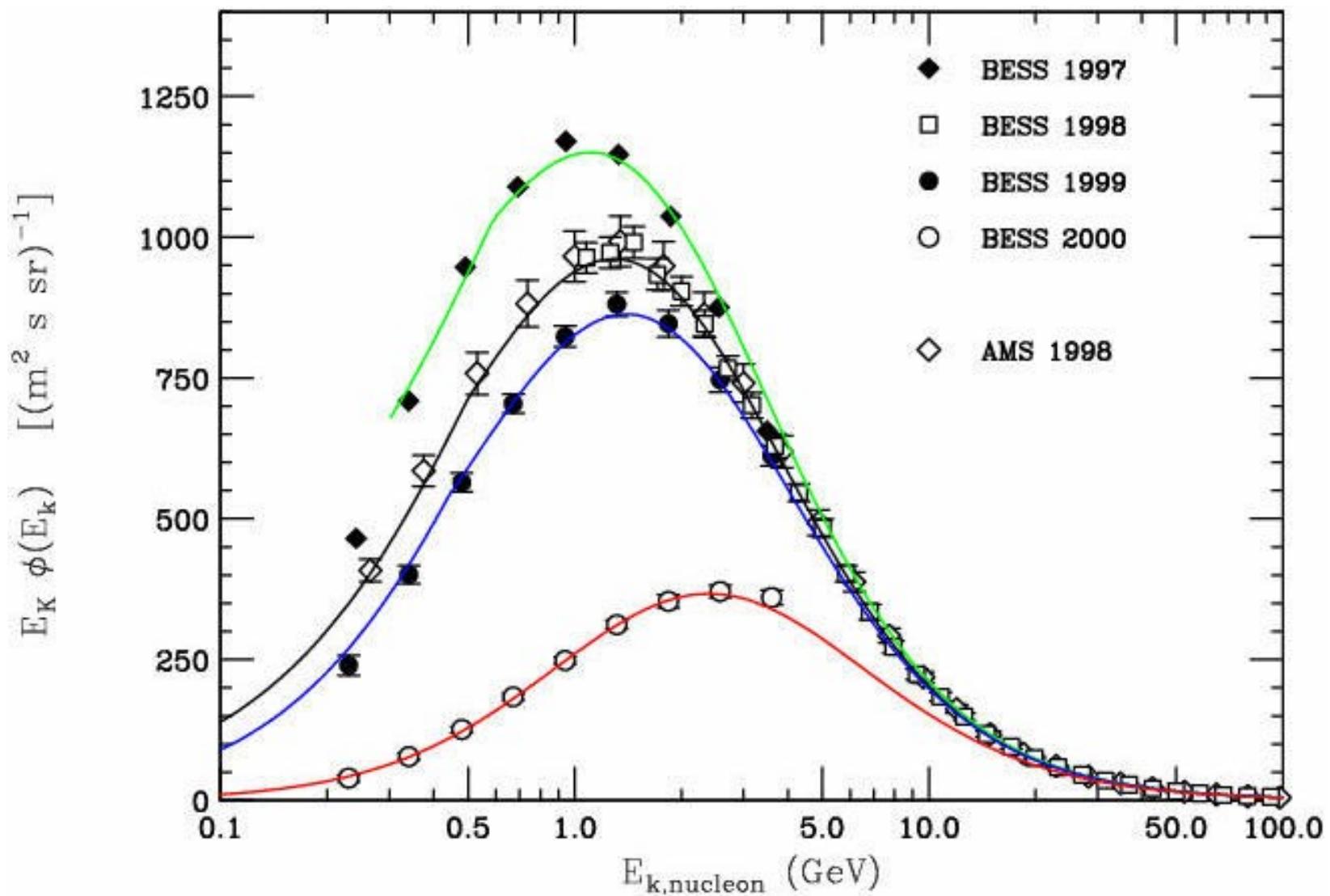


Neutron Monitor Counts



Time of
BESS flights:

BESS proton flux MEASUREMENTS



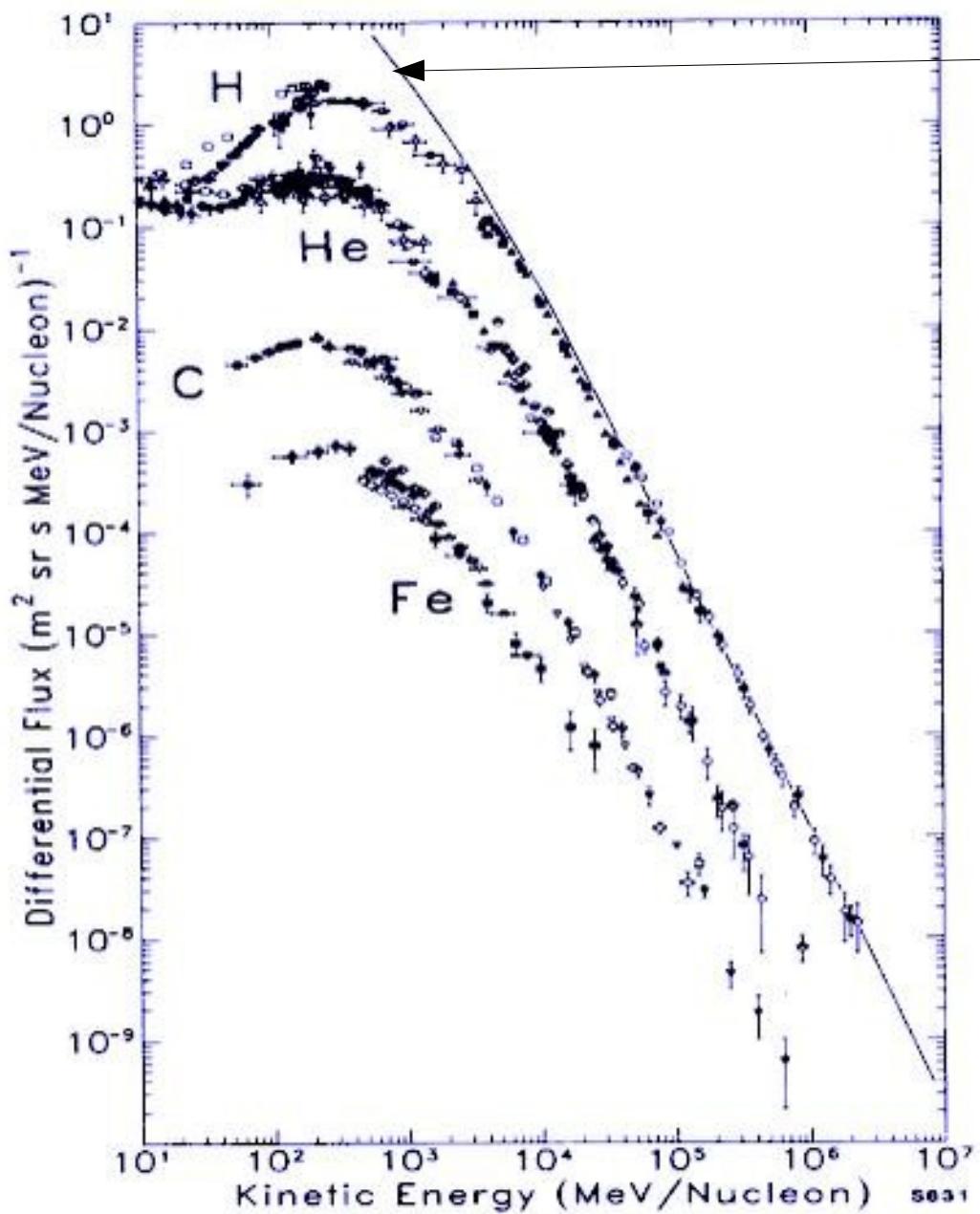


Figure 2. The differential energy spectra of the primary cosmic ray H, He, C, and Fe at Earth. [Reproduced with permission from J. A. Simpson (1983). Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 33 by Annual Reviews, Inc.].

Interstellar Cosmic Ray Flux

very close to the observed flux for $E > 20\text{-}30 \text{ GeV}$

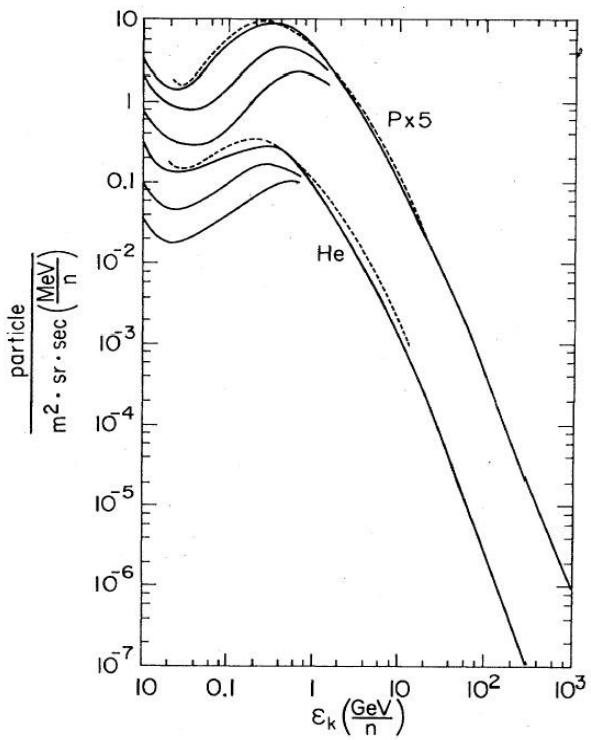
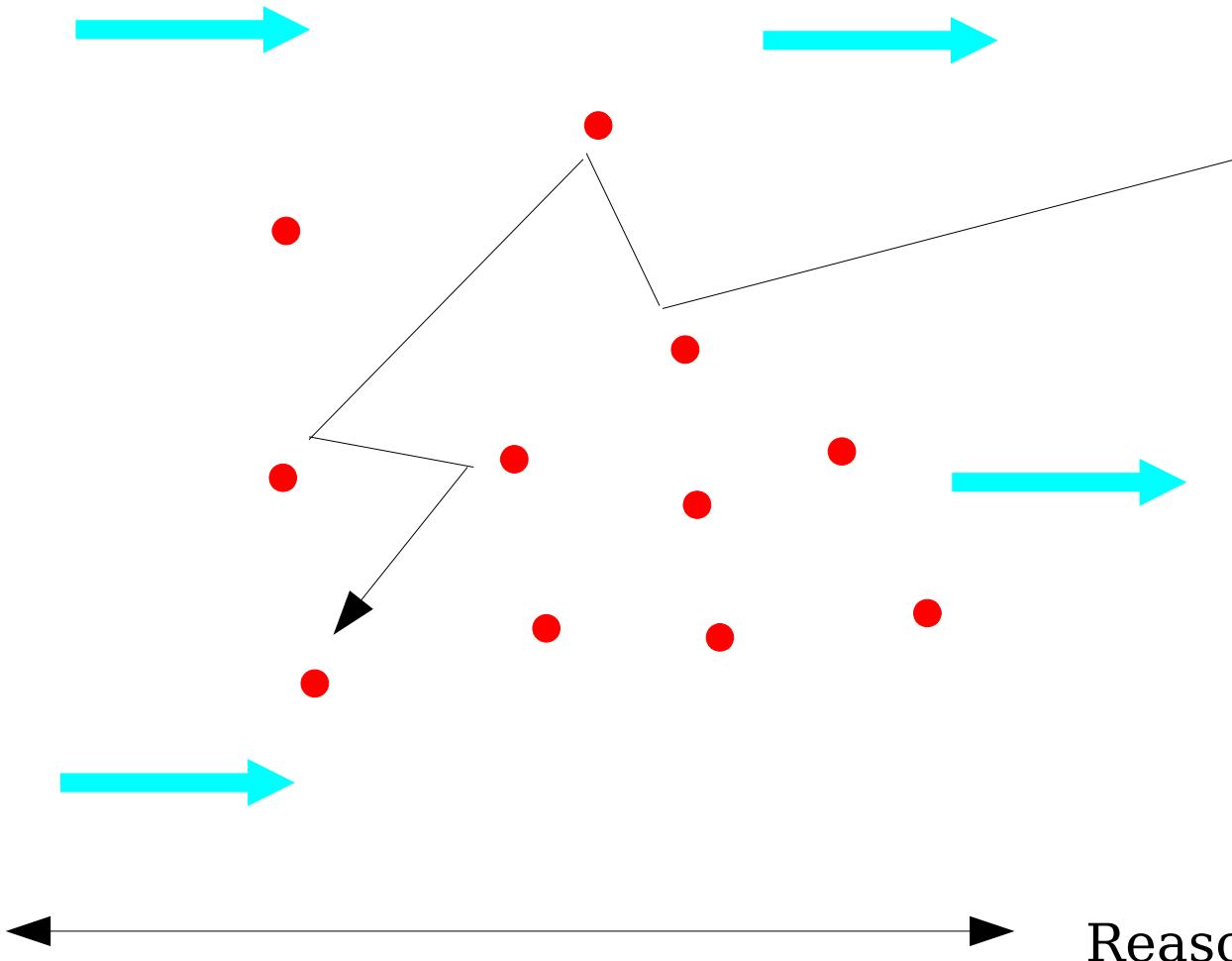


FIG. 1. Spectra of hydrogen (intensity p is multiplied by 5) and helium. Several curves at low energies correspond to the measurements in different periods of Solar activity.

Moving magnetic scattering centers



$$E_f = E_i - Z \Delta V$$

Reasonably good approximation:

The effect of the solar wind
is equivalent to a POTENTIAL
with particles losing an energy
 $\Delta E = Z V$

Time Variations of Cosmic Rays

Induced by variations in intensity of the solar wind

Reasonable approximation for the description
of the modulation is the
FORCE FIELD approximation.

The effect of the wind is equivalent to a potential

A single parameter controls the variation of the spectra

$$E_{\text{earth}} = E_{\text{inter stellar}} - Z V_{\text{solar wind}}(t)$$

$$V \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Phi_{\text{earth}}(E, t) = (p_{\text{earth}}/p_{\text{i.s.}})^2 \Phi_{\text{inter stellar}} [E + V(t)]$$

The COSMIC RAY FLUX is
to a very good approximation

ISOTROPIC

Charged Particles lose memory of
their initial direction
because of the bending in the
galactic Magnetic Field

Magnetic Confinement of Cosmic Rays in the Galaxy.

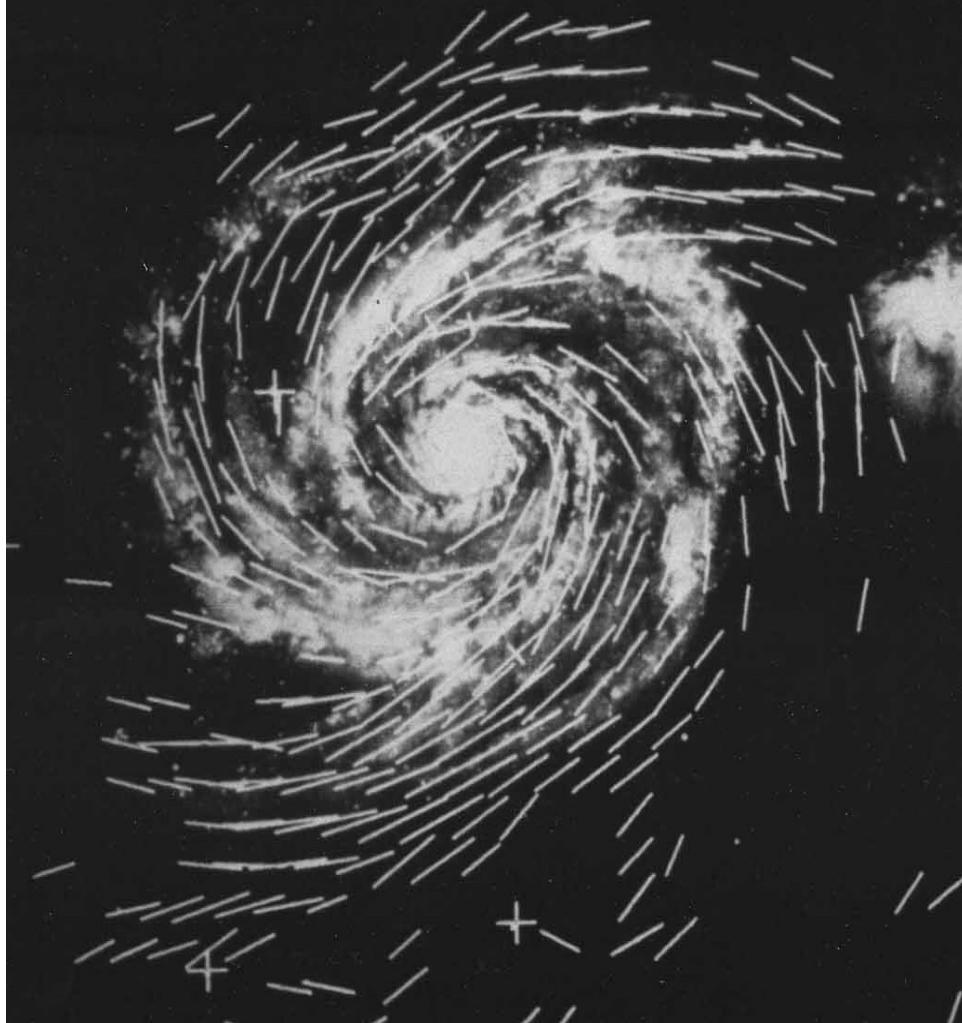
The Galaxy is filled with a magnetic field with an average value of 3-10 μG .

Charged particles remain confined by this magnetic field.

$$r_{\text{Larmor}} = \frac{E \beta_{\perp}}{ZeB}$$

$$r = \frac{1}{300} \frac{E(\text{eV}) \beta_{\perp}}{Z B(\text{Gauss})} \text{ cm}$$

GALACTIC MAGNETIC FIELDS



“Regular Field”

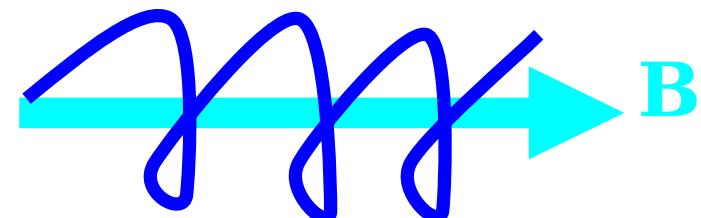
“Random Field”
(turbulent motions)



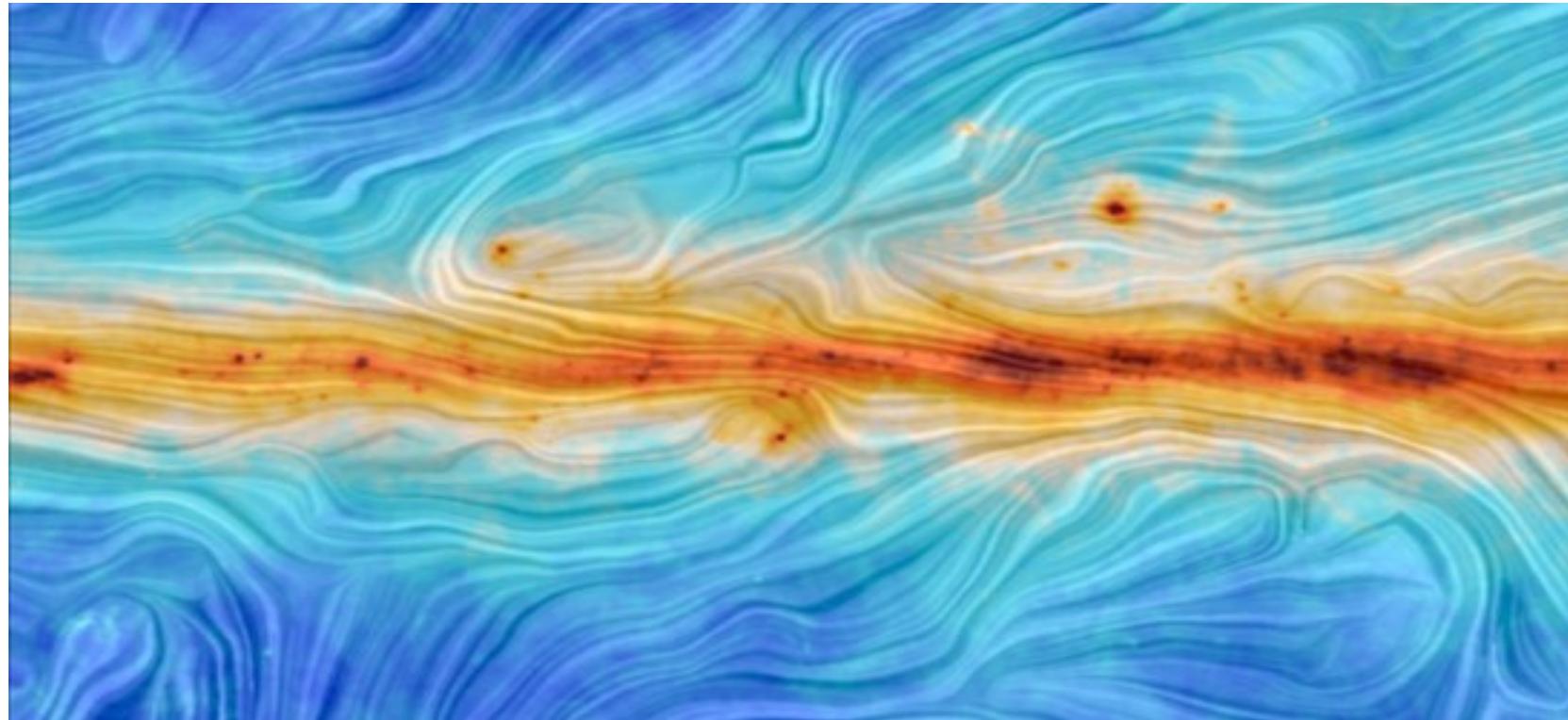
Most Cosmic Rays are produced inside the Galaxy, by “Cosmic” accelerators

They remain confined in the galaxy for a time of order **10 Million years.**

The Magnetic Field “scramble” the trajectories of Cosmic Rays make them isotropic.



Measurement of magnetic field in the Galaxy by Planck.



Measure of the polarized light emitted by dust grain
Color: dust density
Texture: direction and intensity of magnetic field

$$\langle B_{\text{galaxy}} \rangle \simeq 3 \text{ } \mu\text{Gauss}$$

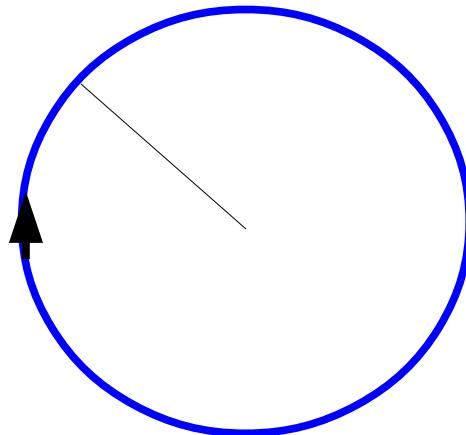
$$\vec{B} = \vec{B}_{\text{regular}} + \vec{B}_{\text{random}}$$

“Regular Field”
(along the spiral Arms)
+
“Random” (Turbulent)
Field

$$\rho_B = \frac{B^2}{8\pi} \simeq 0.22 \frac{\text{eV}}{\text{cm}^3}$$

Energy
Density

$$r_{\text{Larmor}} = \frac{E \beta_{\perp}}{ZeB}$$



$$r = \frac{1}{300} \frac{E(\text{eV}) \beta_{\perp}}{Z B(\text{Gauss})} \text{ cm}$$

$$r = 1.08 \frac{E(10^{15} \text{ eV})}{Z B(\text{microGauss})} \text{ parsec}$$

Parallax Measurements

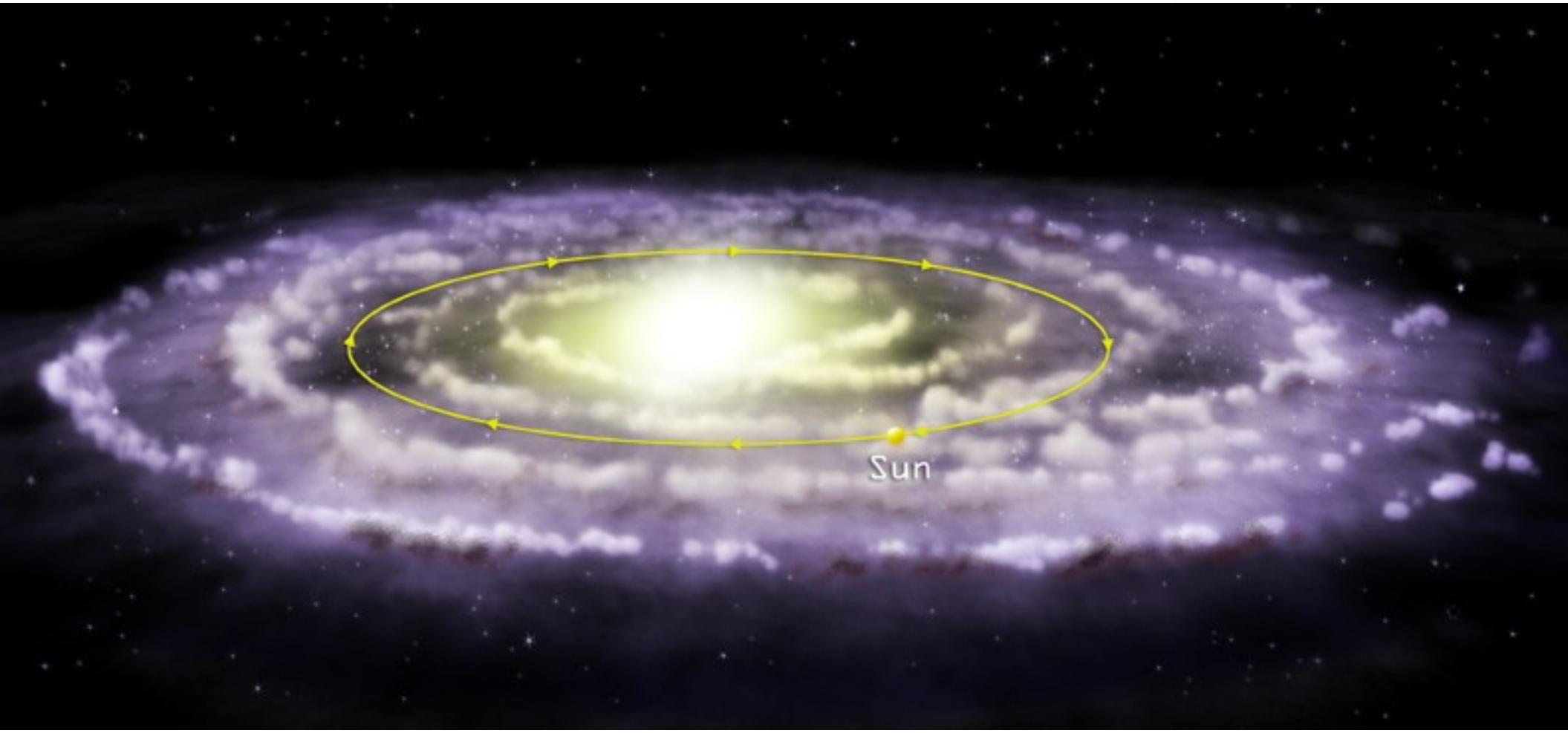
2θ is the angular displacement of an object
(with respect to the fixed stars)
when the Earth moves for half an orbit (6 months).

$$d = \frac{r_{\odot}}{\theta} = \frac{1 \text{ Astronomical Unit}}{\theta}$$

$$1 \text{ A.U.} = 1.495 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}$$

Parsec = distance that corresponds to one arc-second

$$\text{parsec} = \frac{1 \text{ AU}}{1 \text{ sec arc}} = \frac{1.495 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}}{4.8 \times 10^{-6}} \simeq 3.085 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm}$$



$L(\text{Galactic Center}) \simeq 8.5 \text{ Kpc}$

Thickness 0.6 Kpc

$7.94 \pm 0.42 \text{ Kpc}$
(new value)

Measurements Methods for the magnetic field in Astronomy:

Zeeman effect

Faraday Rotation

Stellar Polarimetry

Synchrotron Radiation

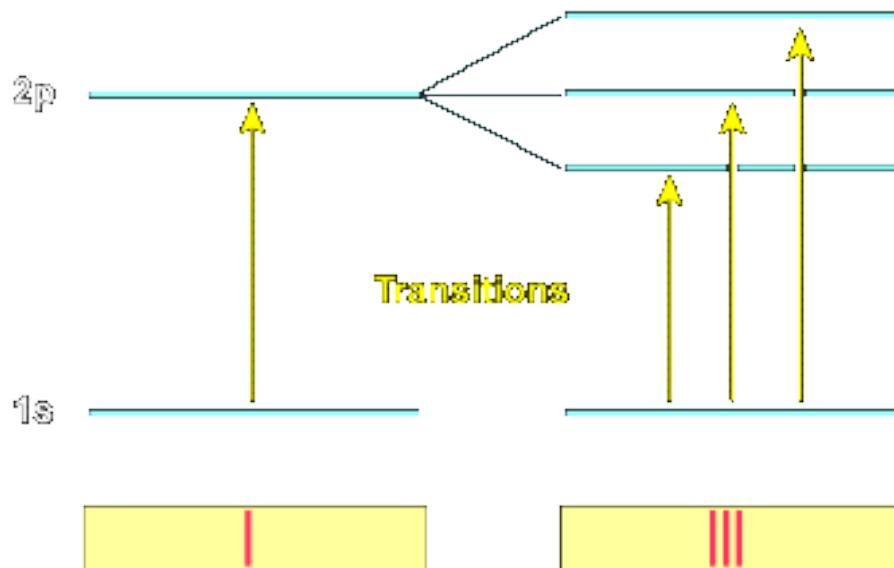
Zeeman effect

Splitting of emission lines proportional to B

$$\Delta E = g \frac{e\hbar}{2m_e c} B j_z$$

First detection of B outside earth (1908): Sun spot

Split 2.8 MHz/G for HI line



Energy
Levels



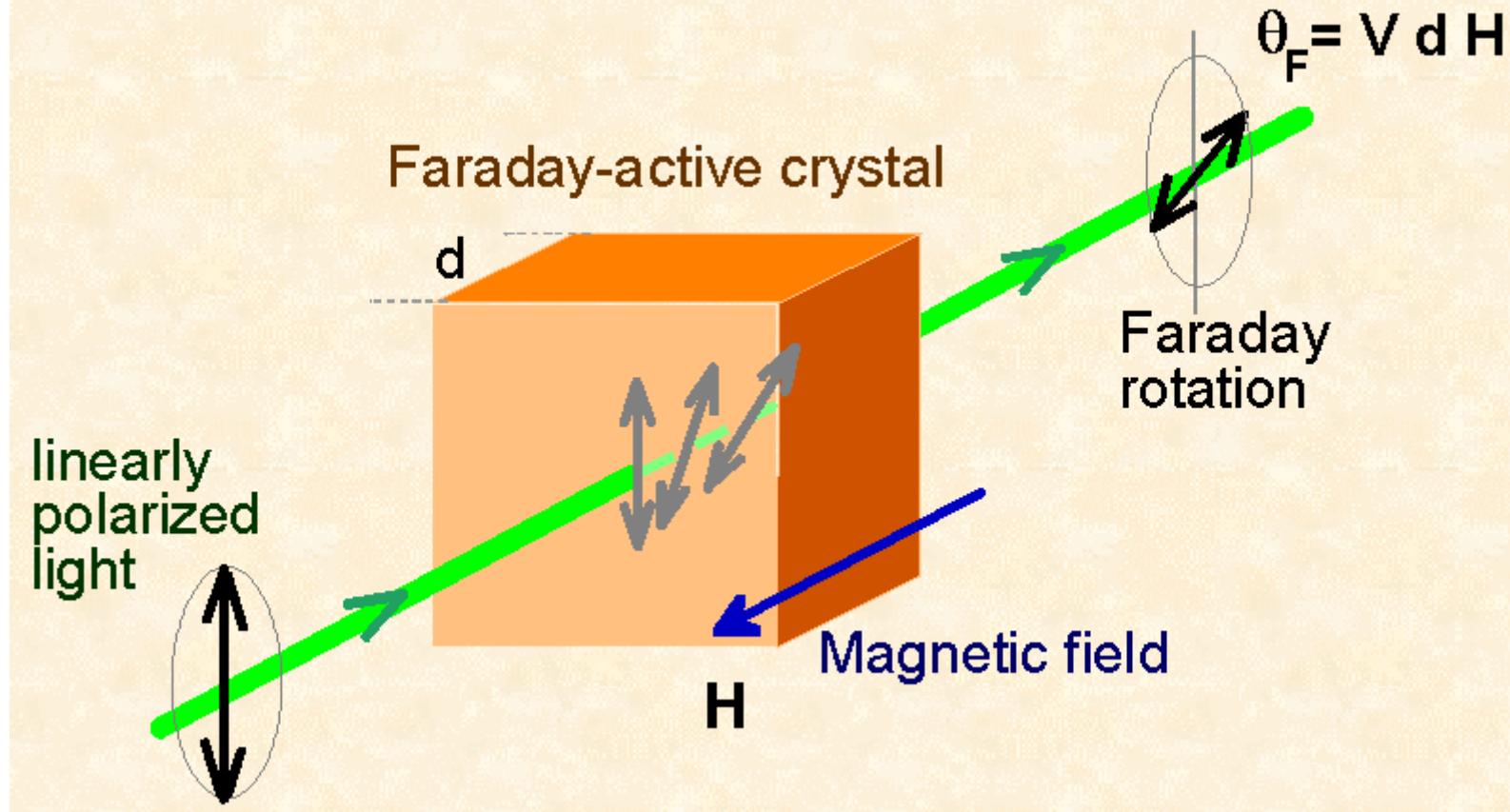
No Magnetic Field



Magnetic Field

Spectra

Faraday rotation and depolarization



$$\varphi = \frac{e^3 \lambda^2}{2\pi m_e^2 c^4} \int_0^\ell d\ell' n_e(\ell') B_{||}(\ell') = 0.81 \langle n_e B \rangle L(\text{pc}) \text{ rad/m}^2$$

Sensitive to parallel components and sign.
Only regular component.

Stellar Polarimetry :

Dust Grains are non spherical
they align orthogonally to the magnetic fields

Absorb light mostly along their major axis
The light from an unpolarized source arrives
prevalently polarized parallel to B

$$P = K B \zeta \delta L / (N_h T_g T^{1/2})$$

δL is the line of sight

T_g the grain temperature

T is the gas temperature

B the normal magnetic field

ζ is the grain density

Synchrotron Emission :

(Radio waves)

Emitted by electrons in a magnetic field

$$\nu_{\max} = 4 \text{ MHz } E(\text{GeV})^2 B(\mu\text{G})$$

Photons are linearly polarized $p=(1-\gamma)/(7/3-\gamma)$

With γ spectral index of cosmic ray electrons

$$\text{Emissivity } \epsilon = N_0 \nu^{(\gamma+1)/2} B^{(\gamma-1)/2}$$

Equipartition principle :

The energy densities of cosmic rays and magnetic field in the galaxy are comparable:

$$W_{\text{cr}} \sim \rho v^2 / 2 \sim B^2 / 8\pi$$

Reasonable at large scale

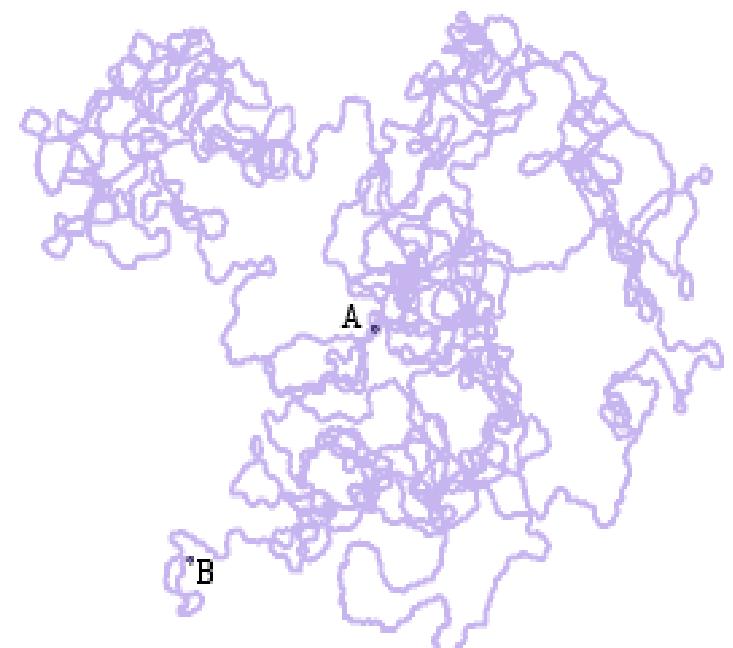
Independent measurement of cosmic ray density (local, γ -ray emission) in our galaxy and B field (synchrotron radiation) →

6 μ G and 10 μ G in inner galaxy that is consistent with equipartition principle

$$r = 1.08 \frac{E(10^{15} \text{ eV})}{Z B(\text{microGauss})} \text{ parsec}$$

The Larmor Radius of the cosmic Rays in the galaxy is for most particles much smaller than the linear dimensions of the Galaxy (10^4 pc) or transverse (10^2 pc)

Motion is in the “DIFFUSIVE” regime



Cosmic Ray Diffusion

Galactic Disk
Galactic Halo

